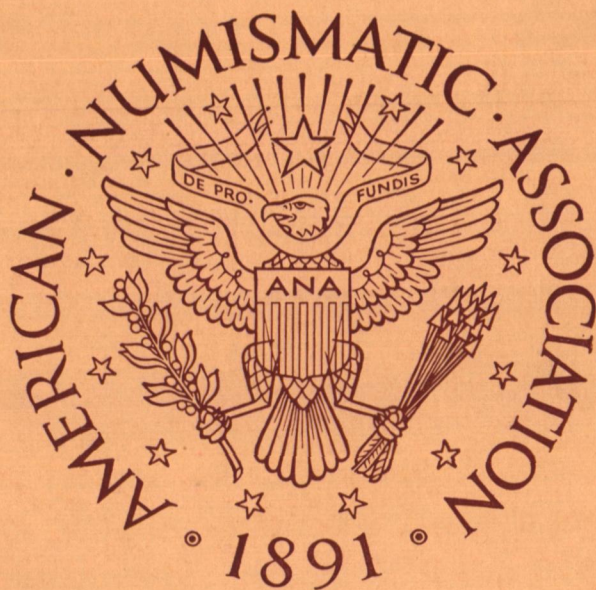


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TREASURY SEALS ON UNITED STATES PAPER CURRENCY

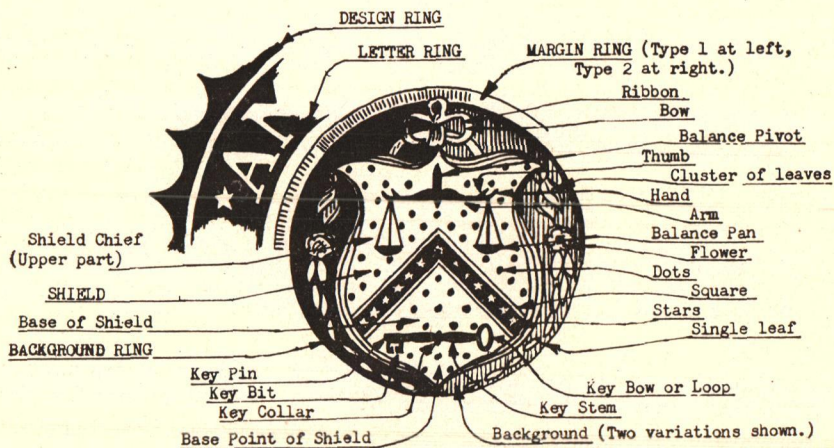
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The Treasury seal has been printed on all Old and New Series currency with the exception of the Demand Notes of 1861. It was also printed on the Fourth and Fifth issues of Fractional Currency.

The legend in the letter ring of the Treasury seal is: **THESAUR. AMER. SEPTENT. SIGIL.**, being an abbreviation of the Latin "Thesauri Americae Septentrionalis Sigillum" meaning "The Seal of the Treasury of North America."

In collecting paper currency a great many varieties of the Treasury seal will be noted. It will also become apparent that the same seal will be called by more than one name by different people, and that no very determined effort appears to have been made in relation to the classification of these seals. Heretofore, the seals appear to have been classified generally by size, color, and outer design. This system has been tolerated for quite some time, and very obviously needs overhauling. This article represents, I believe, a more straightforward approach to this subject.

To begin with, several discrepancies in the existing classifications of the types and sizes of seals have been apparent, particularly in relation to the smaller seals. Examples of this can be seen in the grouping of the two types of scalloped seals; and listing the brown octagon and sausage types as "Brown, scalloped edges." An over-all classification of "Rays" has, until now, referred to three distinct types of outer designs or design rings: points, spikes, and rays.



(Seal illustrated is 1C-2.)

New classifications have been made in two respects — first, in relation to the class of shield and background; and second, in relation to the type of outer design, or design ring. The reader should refer to the

large section of Treasury seal illustrated to familiarize himself with the various parts and the terminology used.

By classifying the two parts of the seal separately a more accurate and comprehensive classification has been obtained. Then too, this method does away with detailed descriptions of each individual seal. By giving each different seal a number, the reader may easily check with the table and learn not only its size and color, but also the class of seal, the backgrounds used for the seal and letter ring, the kind of balance used in the seal, whether the balance and key are printed solid or have detail in them, and so on. Obviously an improvement on the previous classifications.

The reader should note, under Design Ring types, that the term "Spikes" has been used for both Type 3 and Type 12. Despite the difference in design the designation has been retained in relation to the very large seals, although the reader is given the choice of calling them "Large Spikes" to differentiate between them and the other, smaller type.

It should be noted that this article deals with all Treasury seals used on United States paper currency, including both the Old and New Series notes, as well as those issues of Fractional Currency issued with seals printed on them. The New Series notes, in themselves, are largely responsible for the revised classification of certain of the small seals, and have increased the varieties issued to a considerable extent.

In considering the variations of certain sections of Treasury seals, it should be remembered that most of these variations fall within the classification of specific types of design rings or classes of shields and backgrounds. To prevent confusion, "Type" refers to the kind of design ring ornamentation; and "Class" refers to the kind of Treasury shield, background, and so on. Where the reader finds a group of numbers and letters — for example, 2L-F-2L-2S — this refers to the clusters of leaves and flowers hanging from each side of the shield. This example would mean that starting from the top, there is a cluster of two leaves (2L), a flower (F), another pair of leaves (2L), and then two single leaves (2S), one after the other. Except in the case of single leaves, which follow one another, any number refers to the number of leaves forming a cluster. This may sound involved, but a little examination and observation will prove its worth.

There are listed twelve types of design rings, and six classes of Treasury shields and backgrounds; with a total of 46 different Treasury seals made up from the various combinations. Besides the fourteen classifications of Treasury seals, these include twelve different sizes and fourteen different colors. Eleven of the seals are found on Fractional Currency, fourteen are found on the New Series notes, and twenty-one are found on the Old Series notes. One type of seal (3A) is found on both the Old Series and New Series notes; two seals (5A-1, 9-B) are found on both Fractional Currency notes and Old Series notes; one seal (11A) is found on one type of 1879 Refunding Certificate only; and still another (6A) is found on the other type of Refunding Certificate and some of the other Old Series notes. The large green seal with spikes (14C) is only listed to complete the classification, since this seal is no longer in existence, as far as I know. It was only printed on the \$5000 and \$10,000 Currency Certificates of Deposit issued under the Act of

June 8, 1872. For obvious reasons, this is the last seal listed in the table. While this particular seal cannot be obtained, most of the others can, although some of the notes on which they are printed may prove extremely difficult to find. To the collector with unlimited means the red octagon seal (9A) might possibly be obtained, but for the average collector it is probably in about the same class as the large green seal with spikes. By checking elsewhere the collector may ascertain which of the seals (and the notes on which they are printed) are within his means.

It will be noted that subclassifications have been made with regard to different colors or shades. For example: seal 3A-1, Scarlet Red; and seal 3A-2, Carmine Red. Also, that the colors of the seals have been exactly defined — "orange-yellow" instead of "yellow," etc. This has been done so that the list of Treasury seals would be as definitive as possible and each variety considered and classified. The Bureau of Engraving and Printing has kept an accurate record of the ink formulas used for the printing of Treasury seals. Mr. A. W. Hall, Director of the Bureau, has informed me that the differences in shade and color, some listed in the table at the end of this article, have probably been caused by varying environmental conditions acting upon the lead chromate in the ink formula. Inasmuch as the red, orange and yellow ink formulas are probably based on the lead chromate, and the green ink formulas on chrome oxide, the variance in shades can be understood because most of the chrome or chromate formulas are relatively unstable.

There is one important point that must be called to the reader's attention: due to moisture, heat, fading, mishandling and other factors, an apparently endless variety of colors and different shades may be readily noted of any Treasury seal, given enough notes to compare with that particular seal printed on them. Insofar as possible, and consistent with the most authentic information, the colors listed are those of the seals from personal observation, for the most part, when comparisons were made and compiled for the table of seals. It should be emphasized again, therefore, that the colors listed in the table are those observed mainly from personal observation, and it is altogether probable that the differences between the following pairs of seals are due to changes in the lead chromate or other chemical content of the ink formulas: 1C-1 and 1C-2, 3B-1 and 3B-2, 3C-1 and 3C-2, 3E-1 and 3E-2, and 12A-1 and 12A-2. In other words, the colors listed are the average color of these particular seals at the time they were printed on the notes. In most instances, notes have been printed and stockpiled, and the Treasury seals and serial numbers printed at the time the notes were issued. While the rest of the note usually has been printed when the paper was damp, the Treasury seals have been printed when the paper was dry. Most Fractional Currency is an exception to this, the entire note having been printed when dry. Printing on dry paper may account for many of the seals not having taken too well to the paper. Uneven pressure in printing, over-inking a plate or running it too long without inking, paper that was too dry or damp — all of these factors have affected the printing and color of Treasury seals. The age of the note and the ink from which the seal was printed are additional factors. Undoubtedly the chemical content of the ink has a great deal to do with fading since no two batches of the same color seem to fade to the same degree. The handling the note has received since printing also enters the picture. The most pernicious factor

in the life and color of any seal is strong sunlight, followed closely by heat. Together these two can fade a seal so as to be scarcely recognizable. Fading of some colors is most prevalent: the red seals are particularly notorious in this respect, followed — but not too closely — by the blue seals. The color in the other seals appears quite stable, although seals printed from ink with some red content may fade slightly. Altogether, the fact that Treasury seals were, and still are in most cases, of the same shade and color, and capable of being so classified is a splendid example of the excellence of printing and, to a lesser degree, the foresight and careful handling by the majority of collectors.

In compiling the information contained in this article, it has been my intent to make it as complete and comprehensive as possible so that no revisions or additions should be necessary, except in case new types should be put into circulation. Should this occur, the reader can easily add them to existing classifications by comparison with those already listed. The Treasury seals appear to have become quite standardized however, since the change to the New Series notes.

Listed in the following three tables are the types of margin rings, Treasury shields and backgrounds, and design rings.

TYPES OF MARGIN RINGS

- Type 1. Small straight lines touching outer line of margin ring, pointing inward, but not touching outer edge of background ring.
- Type 2. Small straight lines, between outer line of margin ring and outer edge of background ring, not touching either edge.
- Type 3. Same as Type 1, but extremely fine outer line, if any.
- Type 4. Two fine circular lines around background ring.

CLASSES OF TREASURY SHIELDS, BACKGROUNDS, ETC.

- Class 1. Background ring is formed of solid color. Key and balance are printed solid, with hands on each end of balance. Key is long, pans are level. May have a Type 1, 2, or 4 margin ring. 2L-F-2L-6S. Background of stars in square stops short of ornamentation on edge of shield, leaving white margins on lower ends of square.
- Class 1A. Same as Class 1, except background of stars in square runs to end of square, touching ornamentation on edge of shield.
- Class 2. Background of letter ring formed of concentric circular lines; background ring formed of horizontal lines behind shield. Key, balance, and pans printed solid; round knobs on end of balance; key has no collar in center. Pans are tilted forward to show inside surface. Short ribbon in bow above shield. Key is long; no margin ring. 2L-F-2L-2S.
- Class 2A. Letter ring, background ring same as Class 2. Heavy, open balance, knobs on each end. Pans tilted forward to show inside surface. Short ribbon in bow above shield. Very fine dots on shield. Short open key with detail. Fine horizontal lines form background for stars. 2L-F-2L-2S.
- Class 3. Key and balance printed solid, hands on each end of balance. Background of letter ring is solid color; background ring formed of radial lines behind shield. No margin ring. 2L-F-2L-6S.
- Class 4. Letter ring formed of solid color, with heavy squat letters. Usually Type 1 margin ring. Heavy, open balance; hands on each end. Pans are tilted forward. Fine detail in key, pans, and balance. Very fine dots on shield. Background ring formed of vertical lines. 2L-F-2L-6S.

Class 5. Easily distinguished from other small shields by the elaborate ornamentation. Edges of shield are encrusted with ornate scroll-work, cutting into sides of shield. Ornate bow, with streamers. Key and balance have detail in them; key is short. Pans are level. Balance has hooks on each end, pointing downward. Background of letter ring formed of concentric circular lines; background ring formed of vertical lines; horizontal lines form background for stars in square. 3L-3L-3L-3L-2S.

Class 6. Very large shield. Concentric circular lines form background ring and letter ring, with a circle of small white beads between these two rings. Open key, balance, and pans. Balance has hooks on each end, pointing downward. Heavy horizontal lines form background for stars in square. Hanging from each side of shield is long branch with alternate clusters of leaves and flowers, usually arranged as follows: 7L-5F-7L-F-3L-F-3 or 4S. Branch on right side ends with four small leaves, branch on left side ends with three. Flower with cluster of small leaves on each side in letter ring just below base point of shield always has one more small leaf on right side of flower than on left side, for example: 8S-F-9S. Stars in square and letter ring are all six-pointed, large, with detail in them. There are many varieties of this shield: margins of shield, number of concentric circular lines, branches with leaves, etc. may vary considerably.

Class 6A. Same as Class 6, but key points to right in shield. An error found only on Treasury seals printed on the Silver Certificates of 1878.

TYPES OF DESIGN RINGS

- Type 1. Small points.** Small, solid colored points, similar to fine saw teeth.
- Type 2. Round.** Circular line around edge of seal, usually over a series of small points.
- Type 3. Spikes.** Small, sharp spikes, formed of cross-hatched lines.
- Type 4. Lined Spikes.** Long, sharp spikes, formed of several straight lines.
- Type 5. Solid Scalloped.** Twelve designed loops, scallop-shaped, with small loops inside larger ones. Small space or white line between small and large loops. No other white spaces.
- Type 6. Twin loops.** Two V-shaped loops placed left and right of small Treasury seal, with small projections on four sides of seal. Found only on 25c Walker, Fractional Currency note.
- Type 7. Crawford design.** Two intricately designed loops, placed right and left of Treasury seal, fine, single line borders entire design. Large figure 50 each side of seal. Found only on 50c Crawford, Fractional Currency note.
- Type 8. Open Scalloped.** Same as Type 5, but with white open space where large loops overlap.
- Type 9. Octagon.** Two designed coils — one round coil just around seal, the other coil woven in and out of first coil forming eight tabs inside and outside of first coil, making an octagon shaped ring; two sides on top, bottom, and left and right sides.
- Type 10. Sausage.** Eight sausage-shaped designed coils, similar to a string of sausages. Coils placed similar to Type 9. Eight small, white tabs project in front of coils.
- Type 11. Rays.** Small, evenly spaced short rays, projecting a short length beyond seal. (With Class 6 Background ring only.)
- Type 12. Large Spikes.** Designed coil surrounding seal with twenty-seven loops or spikes projecting from it, similar in appearance to a ship's pilot wheel. (With Class 6 Background ring only.)

CLASSIFICATION OF TREASURY SEALS

No.	Color	Tinge @ Size (Mm)	Shield Class	Des. Ring Type	Margin Ring Ty.	General Classification	Example #
1A	Orange-yellow	16	1A	1	1	Small yellow points	\$1 SC 1935A Afr Inv JM
1B	Lt. green	16	1A	1	1	Small green points	\$5 FRN 1950 CS
1C-1	Med. blue	16	1A	1	1	Small blue points (1)	\$1 SC 1935 JM
1C-2	Dk. blue	16	1A	1	1	Small blue points (2)	\$1 SC 1935D CS
1D	Med. brown	R 16	1A	1	1	Small brown points	\$1 SC 1935A Hawaii JM
2	Lt. brown	Y 18	1	1	1	Medium brown points	\$5 NBN 1929 JW
3A-1	Scarlet red	20	1	1	2	Large red points (1)	\$2 USN 1928G CS
3A-2	Carmine red	20	1	1	2	Large red points (2)	\$1 SC 1896 BR
3B-1	Lt. orange	20	1	1	2	Large orange points	\$20 GC 1928 WM
3B-2	Orange-yellow	20	1	1	2	Large yellow points	\$10 SC 1934A Afr Inv JM
3C-1	Lt. green	20	1	1	2	Large green points (1)	\$5 FRN 1934D CS
3C-2	Med. green	Y 20	1	1	2	Large green points (2)	\$5 FRN 1928A WM
3D	Med. blue	20	1	1	2	Large blue points	\$1 SC 1934 JM
3E-1	Lt. brown	Y 20	1	1	2	Large brown points (1)	\$5 FRBN 1929 JW
3E-2	Med. brown	R 20	1	1	2	Large brown points (2)	\$5 FRN 1934A Hawaii JM
4A-1	Carmine red	39	6	1	—	Very large red points	*10¢ Liberty D-16j.
4A-2	Orange	39	6	1	—	Very large orange points	Same, but D-161 (Unique)
4B-1	Carmine red	42	6	1	—	Largest red points	Same, but D-16a.
4B-2	Purplish-brown	42	6	1	—	Largest brown points	Same, but D-16g.
5A-1	Carmine red	21	2	2	—	Small red round	*50¢ Stanton, D-20a.
5A-2	Purplish-brown	21	2	2	—	Small brown round	Same, but D-20c.
5B	Carmine red	42	6	2	—	Large red round	\$5 USN 1880 RJ
6A	Carmine red	22	3	3	—	Small red spikes (34 spikes)	\$1 NBN 1865 AS
6B	Carmine red	25	3	3	—	Medium red spikes (34 spikes)	\$1 USN 1862 CS
6C	Carmine red	28	5	4	—	Ornate red spikes (36 spikes)	\$1 USN 1875 AN
7A	Carmine red	20/39	4	6	3	Twin loops, short key	*25¢ Walker, E-23a.
7B	Carmine red	20/40	1	6	4	Twin loops, long key	Same, but E-23b.
8	Dark pink	22.5/48	2A	7	—	Crawford seal	*50¢ Crawford, E-24a.
9A	Carmine red	25	4	5	1	Solid scalloped red short key	10¢ Meredith, E-22b.
9B	Carmine red	25	1	5	2	Solid scalloped red long key	\$5 NBN 1902 LR
9C	Dk. green	25	1	5	2	Solid scalloped green	*10¢ Meredith, E-22a.

CLASSIFICATION OF TREASURY SEALS (Continued)

No.	Color	Tinge @ Size (Mm)	Shield Class	Des. Ring Type	Margin Ring Ty.	General Classification	Example #
9D	Med. blue	25	1	5	2	Solid scalloped blue	\$10 NBN 1902 NM
10A	Carmine red	25	1	8	2	Open scalloped red	\$1 USN 1917 EB
10B	Lt. orange	25	1	8	2	Open scalloped orange	\$10 GC 1922 SW
10C	Med. blue	25	1	8	2	Open scalloped blue	\$1 SC 1923 WW
11A	Carmine red	31	2	9	—	Red octagon	\$10 Ref. Cert. 1879 (Bearer)
11B-1	Lt. green	31	2	9	—	Light green octagon	*50¢ Dexter, D-21a.
11B-2	Dk. green	31	2	9	—	Dark green octagon	Same, but D-21b.
11C	Dk. brown	31	2	9	—	Brown octagon	\$50 GC 1882 BW
12A-1	Lt. brown	Y 31	2	10	—	Light brown sausage	\$10 NBN 1882 TM
12A-2	Dk. brown	31	2	10	—	Dark brown sausage	\$20 NBN 1882 BW
13A	Carmine red	46	6A	11	—	Red rays	\$10 SC 1878 SG
13B	Dk. brown	46	6	11	—	Brown rays	\$10 SC 1880 BG
14A	Carmine red	52	6	12	—	Large red spikes	\$1 USN 1869 AS
14B	Med. brown	54	6	12	—	Large brown spikes	\$1 USN 1880 SG
14C	Dk. green	52	6	12	—	Large green spikes	\$5000 CCD 1872 SG

* The classification numbers of Fractional Currency notes are taken from Dr. Frank A. Limpert's reference work, "Postage Currency and Fractional Currency."

Types of notes referred to: CCD — Currency Certificate of Deposit; FRBN — Federal Reserve Bank Note; FRN — Federal Reserve Note; GC — Gold Certificate; NBN — National Bank Note; Ref. Cert. — Refunding Certificate; SC — Silver Certificate; USN — United States Note ("Legal Tender"). Afr. Inv. — African Invasion. Double letters refer to signatures.

@ Tinge refers to color: Y — Yellow, R — Red. For example: Lt. brown — Y, refers to light brown color with yellowish tinge.

& Size refers to diameter of seal, taken from outer edges of design ring.

NOTES ON SEALS IN TABLE

- 1B Some poorly inked, or over-inked. Will run from light to medium green.
- 1C Some fading may be prevalent, but late issues have been printed with darker ink.
- 3C The greens of this pair are particularly varied. 3C-2 is a bright, yellow-tinged green, generally found on the entire 1928 Series and the 1934 Federal Reserve Notes. 3C-1 is a flat, light green, generally found on Federal Reserve Notes, 1934A to 1934D. In addition, there are numerous shades of each. The fact that the lighter color is of a later date belies any suspicion of fading.
- 3E The difference in color between 3E-1 and 3E-2 is similar to that between 2 and 1D.
- 10A Some seals on the Treasury Notes of 1890-91 run to a dull, dark rose color, evidently faded from the carmine red seal.
- 11B Some fading may have lightened the greens in these seals, but two shades of green are definitely indicated, light and dark. The backs of some notes also indicate two shades of green to substantiate this.
- 12A Fading might be responsible for the two shades of brown in this pair, but if so, the two inks must have been of entirely different original composition. 12A-1 is yellow-tinged and warm-toned; 12A-2 is darker — a dark chocolate color — and cold-toned.

NOTE ON SEALS 7A AND 7B

There are several distinct differences between these two seals, as follows: 7A is usually printed heavier than 7B as far as the loops are concerned. There are 8 inner loops on 7B, and a double set with 4 to 5 very small loops and eleven large inner loops on 7A. The margin between the top of the letters and the outer edge of the letter ring is extremely fine on 7B; the same space on 7A is normal. 7A has a distinct white line or space immediately surrounding the outer edge of the letter ring, with a very fine line where coils touch against this white space; 7B has no white line or space — coils are in direct contact with outer edge of letter ring. Hands on balance arms of 7B have no thumbs. Seal 7B is slightly longer horizontally than 7A. Margin rings are completely different between these two seals. Background of stars in square of 7A makes direct contact with ornamentation of shield; same background on 7B stops short, leaving white space similar to Class 1 shield, etc.

ARE THE ROMA HEADS ON ROMAN COINS ACTUAL PORTRAITS?

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The first Roman silver coinage was struck in 269 B.C. The exact date has been questioned, but that is of no importance in the present inquiry which merely is to suggest that possibly the features of the goddess Roma on this series may represent actual prominent Romans. It is admitted in advance that the evidence for this idea is feeble and fragmentary; but in dealing with any series of ancient coins no evidence can be overlooked, no matter how obscure it may be.

For over a century the obverse of the Roman silver remained unchanged in the main, although varying in details. It always was the head of Roma, the city goddess of Rome, usually facing right but occa-

sionally left, wearing a helmet with a griffin crest. Rarely she wears a different type of helmet. During the second century of the life of this series the obverse underwent modifications; other gods and goddesses appear, until by the end of the Republic (27 B.C.) almost any kind of object or portrait was used, including the portraits of illustrious ancestors of the coiners — and finally the portraits of living persons. But even with these changes, the Roma head remained a favorite design, and she continues to appear from time to time until Caesar's time.

Roma was the personification of Rome. Her features are held to be in accordance with the ideals of the individual artist responsible for each issue; he pictured her as he felt the goddess should look, just as the ancient sculptors did with statues of divine characters. This is simple enough, but sometimes the explanations of ancient coin designs are not the simplest ones. So with this series; perhaps the easiest theory does not cover all examples.

If the artists strove to create faces in accordance with their own artistic ideals, it would appear that they would attempt to make as beautiful and attractive faces as possible. But this is by no means the case. No one who has examined a series of Roma type coins can fail to be struck with the wide variety of faces they display — from the pleasant and attractive to the ugly and almost grotesque. Why should the artists and die cutters do this? If they wanted to make Roma attractive, they certainly had sufficient skill to do so; while Roman coin art of the period had not yet reached the heights it attained in the early Empire, nevertheless good work was possible. Some of the coins show it. And sometimes the most unattractive faces show evidence of skilled and careful work. It is true that many Romas are handsome women such as would be pictured by artists trying to achieve beauty; but most of the features vary as much as would those of any group of men and women taken at random.

Roma being a warrior goddess of a nation of soldiers, it might be thought that instead of beauty, strong, stern, serious features would be more appropriate, and that the artists deliberately created such features. But even so, one would think there would be some agreement among the Romans themselves as to Roma's appearance, and not such a wide assortment of faces. When Apollo later became a common obverse type his face varies somewhat on the different coins it is true; but by no means as much as that of Roma. He usually can be recognized as Apollo, even without inscription or attributes; but take away the helmet and other attributes of Roma, and we would be at a loss to say what goddess or god she is — or if she was a goddess at all. The Roma faces do not follow the rule of beautiful idealized features, nor of the stern warrior type. They include both, and every stage in between. Many of the faces do not even appear feminine; they seem masculine, and so can these be actual portraits?

Some Romas are coarse featured, some show heavy jaws, large noses of various shapes, and many other varieties of facial characteristics. Some faces appear definitely older than others. All of this would be easily accounted for if it could be shown that they really are the portraits of Romans. It would be nothing unusual for an ancient people to represent a god with the features of a definite human being — or it might be stated conversely, to represent a human being as a god. One

of the commonest examples is in the extensive coinage of Alexander the Great on which he is represented as Hercules.

About five centuries after Alexander's times, the Roman Emperor Commodus (180-192 A.D.) identified himself with Hercules, and he is so shown on some of his coins — that is, the head of Hercules in lionskin headdress and with the features of Commodus. Another example is the coin of Mark Antony (died 30 B.C.) with his wife, Fulvia, shown as the Winged Victory. There are other cases. A nonnumismatic example of this practice is found in the statue of Mercury with the features of Augustus (27 B.C.-14 A.D.).

In any case, the ancients did not recognize as wide a gap between the human and the divine as we do; kings and heroes were worshipped as gods, and it was a common Roman practice to deify good Emperors after their deaths.

The fact that Roma is a goddess and not a god might seem to dismiss the idea of her face being that of some man. But there may have been some strong reason now unknown for the initial and persistent use of Roma on coins, aside from the obvious ones of national pride and plain Roman conservativeness. The Romans were so conservative that having once established a coin design they would not be likely to readily change it, as is shown by the long life of the first obverse. But they were willing to make modifications, and they certainly did a lot of design modifying at a slightly later date. Thus they may have retained the main design, Roma, and yet deliberately altered the features.

If, then, these coins show real portraits, whose portraits could they be? It is very unlikely that they could be those of the actual coiners, for as far as we know no portrait of a coinier appeared until the very late Republic. Could they be the current consuls? This also seems unlikely, because the Romans at that period had much the same objection to the portrayal of living persons on coins that we have in this country. However, we did make some exceptions and did put living men on coins; perhaps the Romans had their exceptions too. If the Roma heads are portraits, it is more likely that they are portraits of distinguished ancestors of the coiners. This would be in harmony with the striking manner in which the later Republican coiners placed references to their own ancestors on their coins, and finally used ancestral portraits. The Roma obverses have no inscriptions or symbols by which we might identify a portrait, but maybe the Romans recognized them. We do not need inscriptions or symbols to identify coin portraits of Washington or Lincoln; perhaps the Romans were equally familiar with the real or conventionalized features of their great men of the past.

Roman coiners would have no difficulty in obtaining real likenesses of their own ancestors. All Roman families of any distinction whatever made death masks of each member on his death, these masks being carefully preserved and brought out for public exhibition on appropriate occasions. The death masks could have been models for the artists who designed the coins. Indeed, in a few cases the Roma faces have a "dead" or inanimate look almost as if they were taken directly from death masks without any retouching.

Above it was said that the coins had no marks identifying possible portraits. But perhaps they do have, and we have not recognized them.

Possibly the way in which a coiner's name often is divided between obverse and reverse may be intended to name the portrait.

Normally a Roman had three names: the praenomen (given name to each individual), the nomen (family name), and the cognomen (name used to distinguish different branches of the same family or different individuals with similar names). The names were in that order, thus: Caius (praenomen) Julius (nomen) Caesar (cognomen). The praenomen was usually written as an abbreviation of from one to three letters in length, Caius being represented by C. Sometimes there was an additional fourth name, the agnomen, as Publius Cornelius Scipio Africanus, Africanus being the agnomen given to Scipio for his African victories. At a later period the number of names of an individual sometimes increased until he had as many as a member of a modern European royal family, but that does not concern us here.

The only important point to be considered as applying to coins is that the cognomen (third name) is the important one, and it is the cognomen by which prominent Romans are known to us and to history. Marcus Tullius Cicero is always known as Cicero; never as Tullius, although that was his family name. Similarly Marcus Porcius Cato is always Cato and not Porcius; Marcus Junius Brutus is always Brutus instead of Junius; and so on. When the inscription on a Roman Republican silver coin is divided, it very often is the cognomen — the most important part of the name and the name by which the owner is known — that is placed on the obverse, before, behind, or below the head of Roma. So is that name intended to describe the obverse? It seems to have been done deliberately, rather than merely as a convenience to put the last word of the inscription on the obverse due to its having been crowded off the reverse through lack of room. Besides, many of these coins have ample room on the reverse to complete the name — yet the coiner put the most important part on the obverse anyway. We may have guessed wrong as to the reason, but a reason there must have been.

Q. Fabius Labeo (114 B.C.) was descended from the Q. Fabius Labeo who was praetor of the fleet in the war with Antiochus. Labeo's coins with Roma head have his first two names (abbreviated as is common) on the reverse, and LABEO on the obverse. M. Baebius Tampilus was coiner in 144. He was the grandson of M. Baebius Tampilus, Consul in 181 B.C., and the names on his coins are divided in the same way; that is, with the cognomen TAMPIL only on the obverse. In the first example is the word LABEO intended to describe the portrait as that of the Labeo who was praetor, and in the second is TAMPIL to name the portrait as that of the Consul, Tampilus? Similarly when M. Aburius Geminus (134 B.C.), son of the man of the same name who was Tribune in 185 B.C., also starts his name on the reverse of his coins and finishes it on the obverse, GEM, can he mean that the portrait is that of his father?

In the case of M. Atilius Saranus (174 B.C.) we have an example of a distinguished Roman serving in office at the same time as his namesake was coiner; a praetor of 174 B.C. was another M. Atilius Saranus. This, of course, may be sheer coincidence; but could it be that the coiner was so proud of having a praetor in the family that he put that praetor's features on Roma, and called attention to them with the legend SARAN on the obverse? An example of a symbol on the obverse which may refer to the Roma head is found on the coins of L. Postumius Albinus (134

B.C.), This symbol is the apex, a conical cap with a spiked top worn by the Flamen Martialis, a high ranking priest. It is almost certain that this refers to the father of the coiner, whose name was the same, and who was Flamen Martialis in 168 B.C., and afterwards Consul in 154 B.C. Placed as it is immediately behind the head of Roma, the apex is thus in close association, and so might be intended as a label for the portrait.

These few examples will serve to demonstrate possible identifications of obverse portraits. Others might be given. The cognomina on obverses, it is true, might not be the names of the portraits — if they are portraits — on the coins; but in any case we have one sure example where a coiner struck a coin with actual portraits of Romans on both obverse and reverse. This coiner is Marcus Junius Brutus, murderer of Julius Caesar; the obverse has a bearded head and the inscription BRVTVS, this being Brutus the Elder, the First Consul and expeller of the kings, and ancestor of the later Brutus. The reverse of the coin has another bearded head and is inscribed AHALA. This is Caius Serevilius Structus Ahala who killed a man said to have been plotting to become king. These coin inscriptions are in accordance with those described above, excepting that AHALA is an agnomen (fourth name).

To return to the facial characteristics of the Roma heads. They vary in the extreme. The Roma of L. Cupiennius (164 B.C.) has a long straight nose; that of Sex. Pompeius Fostulus (129 B.C.) in addition to a long nose has a fleshy chin and large eye sockets. Large noses also appear on Romas of Q. Minucius Rufus (149 B.C.), M. Vargunteius (129 B.C.), and Q. Curtius (114 B.C.). The nose of Roma on a coin of L. Opeimius (134 B.C.) is so large and curved that it is almost a deformity, would an able artist represent a goddess that way? Roma's nose varies in other ways than merely in size. That of the Roma of C. Fulvius (108 B.C.) is pointed with flared nostrils; of the Roma of L. Flaminius Cilo (94 B.C.) is somewhat turned upwards; and Q. Minicius Thermus (90 B.C.) shows her with a snub nose. Other features also vary. Coins of M. Fannius (149 B.C.) and Sex. Julius Caesar (134 B.C.) show thin faced Romas with coarse features; a thin faced Roma also appears on coins of L. Opeimius (99 B.C.). On a coin of M. Caecilius Metellus (122 B.C.) Roma's face is distinctly old, and she also appears old on one of the large number of coins struck by Cn. Domitius Ahenobarbus (114 B.C.). On another coin struck jointly by Cn. Domitius Ahenobarbus, C. Publius Malleolus, and L. Licinius in 114 B.C., Roma seems to have a worried or haggard expression. On a coin of L. Minucius Thermus (106 B.C.) she has a pinched face with a sullen expression. It is difficult to believe that all these different faces represent the Romans' conception of the appearance of one goddess.

In conclusion, all of the above is highly speculative, and it is brought forth not as a working theory, but merely as a suggestion for study, we do not know, and perhaps never will know, if there is any definite solid basis for the idea of portraits on these earliest Roman coins; or any basis at all aside from the few hazardous guesses outlined here. But we simply cannot believe that the great variety of Roma faces is due to plain accident; that faced with the problem of depicting a revered goddess, skilled artists gave her almost any kind of face — and often very unattractive ones. They could do better. So they must

have had a reason for the kind of work they produced, and that reason may have been portraiture.

THE OFFICIAL EISENHOWER INAUGURAL MEDAL

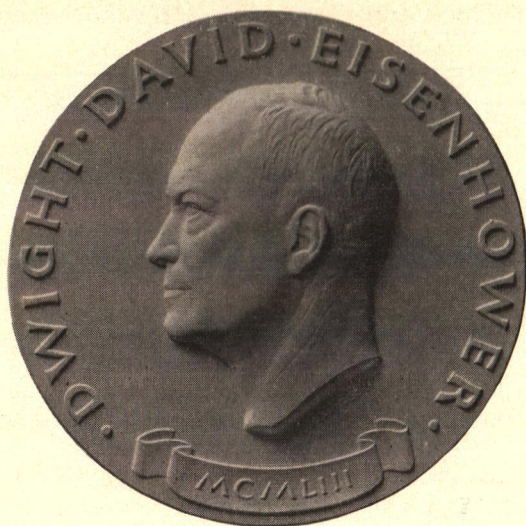
The official inaugural medal is by custom struck to commemorate the inauguration of Presidents of the United States. The original is made in gold and presented to the President; replicas of it are struck in silver and bronze for the public as a permanent, artistic record of the event. The first official inaugural medal was struck in 1901 for the second inauguration of President McKinley. Up to that time, identification badges had been made to be worn by the members of the inaugural committees. Gradually, these identification badges came to be more ornate. For McKinley's first inaugural, the President was given an identification badge of pure gold; for his next inaugural, the committee decided that a medal was more suitable and the custom has continued since.

Up until the time of Hoover's inauguration, replicas of the President's gold medal were given to members of the Inaugural Committee; thereafter the replicas have been made available to the public by popular demand. Some internationally known sculptors have designed the Inaugural Medal. The Theodore Roosevelt medal was designed by Adolph A. Weinman, designer of the United States dime and half-dollar. Weinman worked under the supervision of Roosevelt's good friend, Augustus Saint-Gaudens, who with Weinman, Fraser, MacNeil and Brenner, all well-known American sculptors, collaborated in the re-designing of all United States coinage, resulting in the first great artistic improvement of our coinage. Among those who designed the medals for Franklin D. Roosevelt were Paul Manship and Jo Davidson.

The second Franklin D. Roosevelt medal is the first one to bear the inscription of the new inauguration date of January 20th. Medals, permanent records of important events since ancient times, are our most lasting and imperishable reminders; even as Mr. R. N. Brooke, Inaugural Medal Committee Chairman, wrote in 1913: "Bearing in mind the growing impressiveness of Inaugural Ceremonies, and their fugitive nature, the Committee has sought to provide a medal fittingly commemorative of so august an event." Your Inaugural Committee 1953 has sought to carry on in this tradition.

ABOUT THE ARTIST

WALKER HANCOCK, sculptor, was born in St. Louis, Missouri in 1901, studied at the School of Fine Arts, Washington University; the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, Philadelphia; and the American Academy in Rome, having won the Prix de Rome Fellowship. He served in the Army of the United States from 1942 to 1946, during which time he designed the Air Medal for the Army and Navy. He is now head of the Department of Sculpture, Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, Philadelphia. Principal Works: War Memorial of the Pennsylvania Railroad; four heroic groups for Soldier's Memorial, St. Louis, Missouri. Medals: U. S. Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal; U. S. Air Mail Flyers' Medal of Honor; Air Medal for the Army and Navy. His home and studio are in Lanesville, Gloucester, Massachusetts.



FROM THE ARTIST

"It was determined at the first meeting with the Inaugural Committee that the obverse of the medal should bear a profile portrait of General Eisenhower, in the tradition of other Inaugural medals, and the reverse be undecided until we experimented with various designs, the one stipulation being that it should bear the inscription, 'Inaugurated President of the United States of America January 20, 1953.' We considered using the Seal of the President, but very few liberties could be taken with the design embodying the Seal, because of the lettering which is an integral part of the Seal itself and which cannot be changed. I had my first appointment with General Eisenhower before he left for Korea. Additional photographs were taken at that time and I had a brief opportunity to work on the plastilene model that I had brought with me. A three-quarter portrait view was attempted, but we found that the contour of the head in profile made a better medallion design. I thought that the design for the reverse should in some way be distinctive of General Eisenhower and asked whether he had any suggestions. He had three: to represent (1) the West of the United States as he came from the West, (2) the Armed Forces, (3) the Unity of Nations. His chief interest, however, seemed to be to keep the design extremely simple and to avoid any laudatory reference to himself. Therefore, we carried out General Eisenhower's suggestion for a simple reverse by making it a design of lettering bordered by wheat, representative of the West, and headed by the American eagle holding the olive branch of peace in its dexter talon and the arrows of defense in the sinister talon. After his return from Korea, I took a model of the obverse to General Eisenhower's office for some final corrections."

ABOUT THE MEDALIST

This year the Inaugural Medal was struck by the Medallion Art Company of New York City, after many years during which it was struck by the United States Mint. Medallion Art Company, which is in its 53rd year of reproducing fine medals directly from sculptors' models, has been called by FORTUNE magazine the foremost firm of medalists in the United States.

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Orders should be sent accompanied by check or money order to: Inaugural Committee, 1420 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington 4, D.C.

In 1951 the United States Mint sold 2,766 medals to the public. A list of medals for sale can be obtained by writing the Philadelphia Mint.

TIN MINING IN THE UNITED STATES

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The history of tin mining in the United States is short, but definitely not lacking in glamour. In North and Central America tin ore is known to occur in very small quantities, especially in Canada, the United States, and British Honduras.

The first important discovery of tin in the United States was in the Temescal mountain range in Riverside county, California. The history of the mine, discovered in 1856, would "fill a volume." There was a long court battle between the claimants of the mine on one hand and the Serrano heirs and Able Stearns on the other. The decision was finally made in favor of the claimant. At the Mechanics Fair of San Francisco in 1869, bars of tin from Temescal were exhibited. Specimens were also sent to England where they were pronounced of the purest quality. The opinion of many investigators agreed that "here was a body of tin unlimited in quantity and of the finest quality — the richest and indeed the only workable body of tin ore in the United States."

Little was done at this mine until after the clearing of the title in 1888. British experts examined the region repeatedly and in 1890 two English companies were incorporated and more than two million dollars were invested within the two years following.

Why the mine was closed in 1892 and has never been reopened, has not been satisfactorily explained: a tariff on tin, the competition of the Cornwall interest, or a mistaken estimate as to the real value of the property on the part of the English Tin experts, all have been offered as possible explanations of the brief heyday of tin mining at Temescal.

The other important source of tin originally found in the United States was in the Black Hills of South Dakota. References are made frequently to an old prospector, Frank Herbert, who passed in and out of town looking for tin. *It was there*, he declared. The machinations of the British Syndicate finally proved it.

While Professor Jenny was making a geological survey of the Black Hills in 1875, he reported that indications of tin were found about the country in near Harney Peak, but the miners were so absorbed in their search for gold, that no attention was paid to the probable existence of this metal, which had hereto been imported from Europe. However, in March, 1883, Dr. S. H. Ferguson who was working his "Etta" mines for mica, six miles east of Harney Peak, noticed a strange metal in the ore. A pediment was placed in the common forge and when melted down it looked like silver. Later a chemical test was made and it proved to be tin. Major A. J. Simmons wrote an article that was published in the *Rapid City Journal* in which he indicated that an extensive deposit of the metal would be found.

Further developments were made and interest in the new metal became intense and much prospecting took place. In the fall of 1883, English capitalists had the deposit examined and received a report from

their geologist. The Harney Peak Consolidated Tin Company was then organized and proceeded to buy up every claim of value, and plants were erected where several million dollars were spent in the development of the concern. When the whole control of the tin-bearing area in the hills was had and size pointed to that company becoming a serious competition to the big mine interests, trouble arose between the American and English stockholders, the mines were shut down, and the day of tin industry in the Black Hills was strangled. However, it is safe to state that untold millions of dollars worth of tin are safely locked in the granite hills of Harney country, until such time as the stockholders see fit to turn the keys of the door and let the white metal glisten in the kitchens of the walls.

It has now been 53 years since the engines were stilled, but the property and buildings are not allowed to decay or fall to ruin. In the *Rapid City Journal* of July 6, 1936, there appears the following article:

"The Harney Peak Tin Company's reduction plant finished in 1892, operated for two months, when it was closed down pending adjustment of complications between American and Foreign stockholders — it has never been reopened. Since then Hill City has been a tourist city — headquarters for trips to Harney Peak and Sylvan Lake."

All efforts to find more information concerning the Black Hills have led to failure. The Tin Mining Cleveland Company does not seem to exist in any bibliographies.

All information about the Pittsburgh Mexican Tin Mining Company have also led to failure but from all evidences this company could not have been in existence very long and probably not more than several carloads of tin were ever produced.

Also, as a bit of further information, we have found some information on the Glenwood Mission Inn, which was located in Riverside. Captain C. C. Miller came to Southern California, when it was first emerging from its "hacienda days." In 1873 he was made engineer of the New Colony of Riverside which had been established on the old ranch hill Rancho Jurupa in 1870. As a salary he received a block of land in the New Colony, and there in 1875 he built a cottage with solid walls, the first solid walled house in town, which later became the nucleus of the famous Mission Inn.

The Miller family is known to have received guests as early as 1876, and the name Glenwood Cottage appears to have been given it. The old-fashioned homey hospitality which the Millers offered drew an increasing number of patrons and a small group of frame buildings grew up around the Glenwood Cottage. With this growth, the name was changed to the Glenwood Hotel, the name which appeared on the token issued for this company. From the beginning, Frank A. Miller, son of the pioneer, was proprietor and manager at Glenwood. In 1902 he replaced the wooden cottages by a new structure of concrete and brick, the building which now surrounds the court of the birds. The token issued by the Glenwood Hotel was struck sometime during the 1880's.

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THE TOKEN COLLECTORS' PAGE

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This page is devoted to American store cards, war tokens, and similar metallic pieces. Its purpose is to illustrate and describe the many interesting pieces that are so little known to most present day collectors. In some instances the pieces are illustrated for the first time and a special effort is made to include the early issues that have never been listed elsewhere. Collectors who are able to supply additional information on any of the cards published are cordially invited to do so.

Miscellaneous Token Notes

Through the courtesy of Max Schwartz and Ray Haggenjos quite a few new varieties of the Schuttler Wagon Works tokens (*Numismatist*, April '51) were brought to light. They will be published in the near future.

The Herren Bros. and Co. "piece" (*Numismatist*, Jan. '51) has been reported in silver by Thomas Warfield. The piece is in a red plush presentation case, which substantiates the thought that this piece is more exactly a medal, than a token. Also of interest is the fact that the Co-Metallic Dollar of Eutopia, a "so-called pattern" piece, was engraved by Herren Bros. and Co. John Ford, Jr., brought out this fact in a short history of this piece in the A.N.A. Convention Sale Catalog.

After the Eleanor Rugg Byrne article went to print we discovered the following in a Bangs, Merwin and Co. catalog of Sept. 12, 13 and 14, 1860, under American Medalets, p. 20:

533* "Byrneore Gold 1859, Eleanor Rugg Byrne," (struck to commemorate the invention of a composition metal, used in the manufacture of Jewelry) the dies both Broken. Copper M(milled) only 3 struck

534* do do Copper only 72 struck

535* do do Brass M proof

536* do do Tin M

The * indicates that one or both of

the dies have been broken or destroyed. The authors have recently seen a cast of this piece made by Hazeltine.

Genoa — Illinois



Obverse: GOING TO N. C. AMSDEN'S STORE 1845 around edge. Man running to right with GENOA ILL. beneath.

Reverse: G. WILLIAMS BELVIDERE, ILL around edge. DEALER IN DRY GOODS & GROCERIES in center in four lines.

Metal Copper — Size 17. Plain edge No. 1. Border No. 1. Adams Ill. 44 rare, Wright 19 and 1248. Extremely rare.

This is an unusual token being a store and of two persons in two cities. These cities are about 12 miles apart located in two different counties. Not many tokens issued in 1845 are of this type.

While Adams lists this piece under Amsden, Wright lists this piece under Williams, he likewise mentions under 1248 to see Wright 19 which is listed as obverse the Amsden piece with Williams as the obverse so that this is obviously a duplication of numbers so that Wright 19 and 1248 are the same. Both pieces are listed by Wright as "Extremely rare." It is interesting to observe Wright's comment on piece 19 "Note: This is a double card and a similar one sold in the Bushnell sale for \$2.00."

Ill. — 73.161.1-SC-15-Cu-17-pel.bdl-r7

El Paso — Texas



GOOD FOR 1 DRINK AT THE PARLOR around edge at top. EL PASO, TEX. underneath in 2. lines. Cut of a church in center. OLD CHURCH AGE 270 YEARS PASO DEL NORTE MEX. underneath.

Reverse: EL PASO COURT HOUSE around edge with cut of Court House in center with star beneath building.

Nickel — Plain edge — Size 20½ — Not in Adams or Wright.

This piece is no doubt the work of Heidemann as it is no doubt, one of a series of pieces issued about 1890. Most of the advertising or restaurant checks issued around this period portray government buildings, churches or historical scenes, and this is an exception as it shows the court house of El Paso on reverse and the Mission Pas Del Norte on obverse. The size and workmanship is of the better pieces struck by Heidemann. Wright was unaware of this piece and all attempts to obtain information about "The Palor" proved unsuccessful, and, therefore, the token is believed to be extremely rare.

Tex. — 67.197.1-RC-20-Ni-20½-P-8

St. Louis, Missouri



ANHEUSER BUSCH around edge BREW'G ASS'N in center with star underneath.

Reverse: An eagle on a bar of letter A above a star. In exergue 1880 Copper and Brass. Plain Edge, size 13. Adams Missouri 1 — Wright 25.

Adams lists this piece in copper while Wright lists it brass. This is an advertising piece of Anheuser Busch.

MO.-175.11.1-SC-19-Cu-13-P-5

MO.-175.11.1-SC-19-Br-13-P-6

Riverside, California



SAMPLE PURE TIN FRANK A MILLER, PROP. In center, FROM TEMESCAL MINE, COMPLIMENTS HOTEL GLENWOOD, RIVERSIDE CALIFORNIA. Beaded border on both obverse and reverse. Reverse: TIN MINE 12 MILES FROM RIVERSIDE THE GREATEST ORANGE GROWING DISTRICT IN THE WORLD (in eight lines). Pure tin. Size 20. Wright 702. Not in Adams.

Because of its delicate composition we assume that this piece is rather uncommon and was probably issued around 1880.

CLASSIFICATION-CAL (----) Sn-18-SC-20-P-R4*

Pittsburgh, Penna.

PITTSBURGH MEXICAN TIN MINING CO. 1891 around border. Shield-like emblem in center surmounted with representation of a castle. Reverse: COMMEMORATING FIRST CAR LOAD OF METALLIC TIN PRODUCED IN NORTH AMERICA in seven lines. Pure tin. Size 24. Plain edge. Not in Adams or Wright.



CLEVELAND TIN MINING CO — 1888 — around border. BLACK HILLS, DAKOTA in three lines in center. Reverse: OFFICES DEADWOOD & NEW YORK CITY around, in center in three lines NIGGER HILL TIN. Cast tin. Plain edge. SIZE 25-Thick flan. Not in Adams.

Dr. Wright lists a similar piece as No. 196 but of size 20 and dated 1890. This is a very crude piece, on the reverse shows a cast fracture. Even though it is an interesting token of West and undoubtedly is extremely rare.

CLASSIFICATION SD (----) Sn-18-SC-25-p-R7



This piece is undescribed in published works and some people might not call it a store card, but because of its interesting nature we are including it in our list. Probably quite rare and most artistic type of the tin mine coins.

CLASSIFICATION Pa (----) Sn-19-SC-24-p-R5*

Black Hills, South Dakota



Black Hills, South Dakota



OFFICES DEADWOOD SOUTH DAKOTA AND NEW YORK CITY around border. In center — CLEVELAND TIN MINING COMPANY in five lines. Reverse: NIGGER HILL TIN BEAR GULF, 1890, around the border. In the center BLACK HILLS. Above and below this are two small floral decorations. Tin, plain edge. Size 20, thick flan. Not in Adams, Wright 196.

CLASSIFICATIONS SD (----) SC-18-Sn-20-p-R5*

THE PRIMITIVE MONEY OF AFRICA

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(Continued from September, 1952 issue)

CHAPTER V

IRON CURRENCY

Introduction

Metal was scarce in many parts of Africa prior to the arrival of the white men, due to the scarcity of ore except in scattered areas, and since metal was needed for tools, implements and weapons as the natives emerged from the stone age culture, it is not surprising that it should become a medium of exchange in bulk or hammered into distinctive shapes. The ancient Egyptian used rings of gold and silver as units for barter, and probably as a currency, and iron served as money in ancient days in some European countries and parts of Asia.¹

Iron ore was abundant in a few sections of Africa and was near the surface, which facilitated its extraction by simple methods.² However, the ore was not mined in all areas where it was found. For example, an abundant supply of iron ore exists near the surface in many places between Unyamweze and Ujiji, but it was seldom worked.³

Iron smelting and working is a well-developed and widespread industry among the natives⁴ and whole tribes make their living in that industry.⁵ Blacksmithing was a highly skilled craft, and due to the exclusiveness of the workers, their craft was surrounded by an air of mystery. In the olden days the ore was smelted in a furnace in which there were alternating layers of ore and charcoal, but the more modern method involves the use of European scrap iron in lieu of native ore. Native blacksmiths make their own tools, including hammer, tongs and others required by their trade.⁶ In some areas blacksmiths preserve a speech different from that of other members of the tribe. Their products were enhanced by the mystery of their craft, and this increased the value of the output of their forges.

Practically all of the iron objects used for currency in Africa had potentialities other than indicated by their shapes. For example, currency hoes, axes, knives and spearheads could be, and frequently were, used to manufacture other types of tools, weapons or ornaments, especially when they reached areas far from the local source of iron ore. Europeans who were shipwrecked on the shores of Africa years ago found their condition wasn't as hopeless as they feared, because the natives readily supplied them with food and services in exchange for pieces of the metal salvaged from the ships.⁷

Mrs. Quiggin⁸ points out that iron, being of practical use to the African natives, was more than potential wealth or potential ornament,

1 (33, pp 34, 35)
2 (16, Part II, p 629)
3 (26, p 533)
4 (32, p 334)

5 (34, p 51)
6 (16, Part II, p 629)
7 (16, Part I, p 289)
8 (22, p 52)

and states: "In many parts of Africa iron is money; that is, it represents a standard of value, it is a recognized medium of exchange, and a symbol of wealth. To succeed in the last function it must be displayed; hence it may be coiled around the arms, legs or necks of the owner or his women folk. But it is still money.

"With all of these advantages, as money acceptable in exchange, as ornament, or for practical use as tools, iron easily acquired its supremacy throughout Africa, and metal-work provides the most conspicuous objects in currency collections, although not all of the types seen there are of native metal or of native manufacture . . ."

We will discuss the native iron currency in the following order: "Hoes and Spades," "Lanceheads and Spearheads," "Knives," "Currency Rods and Gitzie Pennies," "Rings," and "Miscellaneous Iron Currencies."

Hoes and Spades

Actual hoes of metal formed an important currency among the Ancient Chinese and these were subsequently replaced by miniatures in copper and bronze. There is, however, no reliable evidence that the monetary use of hoes in Asia influence their adoption as a currency in Africa and a study of the history of primitive money reveals that most of the objects used for money among uncivilized peoples all over the world consisted primarily of weapons, tools and ornaments. Hence, it is not surprising that the agricultural implement needed to cultivate the soil should be highly valued in agricultural regions of Africa, nor that it should be adopted as a monetary unit.

As Mrs. Quiggin⁹ aptly states: "In an area of hoe-culture such as West Africa, hoes themselves, iron for making into hoes, and inchoate forms in between may all be used instead of money, varying in name, shape and value from district to district, playing an important part in marriage palaver . . ."

In the areas where iron ore and skilled workers were available, the manufacture of hoes was an important occupation and the finished product was, in many areas, a fixed unit for monetary use or had a definite barter value. In other areas where iron was scarce, the hoes were highly prized by the natives and the actual hoes, or ingots of metal from which they could be made, served as money.¹⁰ The importance of the hoe in African culture is illustrated by the fact that the native word for women in some of the Congo tribes means "hoe."¹¹ We are not informed whether this was due to the fact that the hoe was an implement by the means of which a wife evidenced her economic worth to her husband, or because hoes were frequently used in the purchase of wives.

The shapes of the currency hoes were, for the most part, round,¹² heart-shaped,¹³ and anchor-shaped,¹⁴ and some of them had short hollow shafts at the top into which were sometimes placed wooden handles from two to three feet long.¹⁵ The hoes were flat and usually had dull edges which rendered them useless for agricultural work without further processing. Although the shapes of agricultural hoes differed greatly in various sections of Africa, some were plain rectangular affairs with a locking ring at the top into which a long handle could be inserted.¹⁶

9 (22, p 74)

10 (18, p 77)

11 (5, p 366)

12 (14, p 24)

13 (29, p 117)

14 (31, p 366)

15 (16, Part II, 597)

16 (23, Vol. II, pp 333, 334)

None of the monetary hoes were of such prosaic shape, although it is possible that their design may conform in some degree to more ancient agricultural implements. The better view, however, appears to be that the style of most of the currency hoes were conventional only.

It is possible that many flat iron currency pieces represent hoes, although their appearance differs greatly from most of the hoe or spade money. The pieces resembling canoe paddle blades with a sharp end opposite the blade are used as currency by certain tribes in Portuguese Angola and by other tribes, and Mrs. Quiggin¹⁷ illustrates one (Fig. 17) somewhat similar, with a less pointed end, which she described as hoe money used in the Congo. She also describes two pieces (Figs. 29 and 30, p. 95) which little resemble hoes. One, *the hashshash*, from Kordofan and Dafus, resembles a cross section of a mushroom. The other, of somewhat similar shape, called *sakanian*, was used by the natives in the Lake Chad region.

The currency hoes were manufactured by native blacksmiths in areas where iron ore was available. For example, the northern Wanyamweze manufactured almost all hoes from Tanganika to Usagara, and caravans returning from Unyanyembe purchased hoes to pay tribute to the Wagogo. The iron from the hoes was generally used to manufacture other implements and weapons,¹⁸ especially when they reached areas where iron was not found in its natural state. Hoes were one of the principal products of local forges.

The native currency hoes were used extensively, especially in East Africa. We find these hoes were used as currency by the Bongo,¹⁹ the Nuer Babi of the Sudan, many tribes living in the Doma and Kororofa districts,²⁰ the Ashanti,²¹ and in many other localities.

The hoe money was frequently used in bundles, a fixed number representing a certain value. In early days thirty-six hoes made at Katshina would buy a slave.²² In later days in the land of the Ashanti a hoe would purchase a goat, and ten would buy a cow.²³

The currency hoes were frequently used for "bride purchase," sometimes alone but more often with other native currencies. Thus we find that among the Thongo of South Africa the price of a bride is usually several head of cattle and some hoes.²⁴ The price of a Bongo or Zande wife was paid in spears or hoes, called *malodas*,²⁵ and in the Upper Congo hoes were used with other iron currencies for the bride purchase.²⁶ The hoes were also employed among the Lugwari tribe of Central Africa as gifts to the girl's father before the *dot*, or "bride-purchase," was discussed.²⁷ Shay²⁸ reports that in the Congo country a bride could be obtained for ten hoes.

In recent years the importation of European-made hoes in the shapes of the old ones of native manufacture have made their appearance²⁹ and doubtless have resulted in a deflation of the purchasing power of the hoe.

Lanceheads and Spearheads

Iron heads for lances and spears, many of which because of their softness and dull edges were impractical for use as weapons, were used

17 (22, p 73)

18 (26, p 545)

19 (22, p 96)

20 (20, p 29)

21 (23, Vol. I, p 170)

22 (13, p 36)

23 (23, Vol. I, p 170)

24 (25, p 25)

25 (36, p 66 footnote)

26 (6, p 86)

27 (19, p 454)

28 (24, p 145)

29 (16, Part II, 587)

as currency in many sections of Africa, much in the manner as were hoes.³⁰ These, too, were manufactured by skilled blacksmiths in tribes located near a supply of iron ore. For example, the Chaza, who were expert iron workers, made long, slender spears for the Masai warriors.³¹ Lanceheads, called assagai, were made by certain Congo tribesmen and used for money.³² Most of the current lanceheads and spearheads changed hands without a shaft, although the head usually had an opening for one.

There is a conflict in the evidence concerning the usefulness of the currency heads for weapons. Although it is clear that, for the most part, they were of soft metal, and that some of them had dulled edges,³³ it is an established fact that some of the native weapons were also of soft iron. For example, Bell,³⁴ in describing an incident in Africa where a native speared an elephant, states: "When Pyjale had retrieved his spearhead, for of course the wooden shaft had gone long ago, he proceeded to bend it straight over his knee. I swear no iron known to us would have come through the process without breaking." Also, an examination of some of the iron currency heads reveals that they could be used for weapons, although not as strong as European weapons of similar design. In support of the view that some of the currency weapons were used in combat as well as for currency, we have seen that the Masai warriors used them for weapons. Whether this required further processing, however, we do not know.

The sizes and shapes of the currency lanceheads and spearheads varied greatly from large ones from five to six feet long,³⁵ to miniature spears between three and five inches in length. These latter were frequently used as currency in bundles of a fixed number.

The miniature spears sometimes called "knives" and "arrowheads," were crudely made and bundles of ten to twelve of them were at one time used extensively as currency in the Gaboon district of Africa, but they now are found only in remote districts, where they are still used as currency. Similar, but smaller pieces, called *mimboss*, were used in bundles of about seventy-five by the Gaboon tribe of French West Africa.³⁶

The lancehead and spearhead currency was frequently employed with the hoe currency and for the most part they were used in the same areas as the latter. For example, we find that both the Bongo and Zande used this form of currency for "bride-purchases," as did the Ababu.³⁷ The natives near Ponthierville used currency spearheads, called *shoka*, which required further work to convert them into real spearheads,³⁸ and the Damaras of South Africa could, during the middle of the nineteenth century, purchase an ox for an iron spearhead.³⁹ The spear money was common in the French Cameroons.

A story is told of an Azande chief who, being warned by a medicine man that he might contract a venereal disease if he had relations with certain of his wives, procured a boy whom he married by payments of spears.⁴⁰ In the Congo a wife could be obtained for from ten to fifty

30 (12, p 52)

31 (9, p 222)

32 (15, p 436)

33 (35, p 2772)

34 (4, p 151)

35 (22, Plate I, Fig. 12)

36 (20, p 29)

37 (8, p 162)

38 (21, p 240)

39 (2, p 62)

40 (16, Part II, 427)

spearheads and the spears were employed for "bride-purchase" in most areas in which it circulated. At one time a spearhead was worth five francs in the Congo.⁴¹

Anderson⁴² is one of the few writers to give details concerning the weapons encountered in his travels, which were in the Lake Nyami regions of Africa. He says: "The weapons of the Damaras are the *assegai*, the *kierie*, and the bow and arrow; they have also a few guns.

"The head of the *assegai* consists of iron, and it is usually kept well polished; being, moreover, of a soft texture, it is easily sharpened, or repaired, if out of order. The shaft, though, at times, also made of iron, is commonly of wood, the end usually ornamented with a bushy ox-tail. On account of its great breadth, the *assegai* is not well adapted for stabbing, and its weight is such that it cannot be thrown to any considerable distance. This weapon, in short, is chiefly used instead of a knife, and, though rather an awkward substitute, it answers the purpose tolerably well." He further states that the spearheads used in barter were of exceedingly crude workmanship, so it would appear that the weapons and currency spears were not, in that locality, interchangeably used for war and money.

Knives

As noted before, the miniature spearheads were sometimes referred to as "knives." Larger iron knives in a great variety of sizes and shapes, most of them crudely made, with edges too blunt for use as cutting instruments, circulated as currency in various parts of Africa. Some of these resembled spearheads more than knives.

The Babinga, a large tribe located in the Belgium Congo, used iron knives in bride purchase.⁴³ Knives of iron too crude for tools, called *mbeli*, were used as a currency in some of the northern sections of the Belgium Congo, and each had the value of about twenty-five Belgium centimes.⁴⁴ The Abubua had two types of knives made exclusively for "bride purchase," and these eventually became a recognized medium of exchange.⁴⁵

The knives most used for currency, however, were the throwing knives, which are possibly still used in some remote sections.⁴⁶ The original sharp weapons, after which the currency knives are patterned, have an interesting history. They were apparently adopted as an effective means of dismounting Arabian invaders by throwing these long, sharp, curved pieces at the fetlocks of the horses of their enemies.⁴⁷ These knives were also employed to kill small game when not being used in warfare.⁴⁸

There are many different shaped throwing knives, each of which has definite distribution. Hambly⁴⁹ states: "The iron throwing knife of the Tibbu of Tibesti is easily distinguished, as are the patterns used near Lake Chad. In the northeast Congo region, peculiar types occur, as they do also among the Frang tribe and the Bushongo. The word 'Bushong' means 'people of the throwing-knife'. These knives are still used in the western and eastern regions of Darfur, but in Darfur itself they are only employed as an instrument in rituals."

41 (15, p 436)

42 (2, p 65)

43 (17, p 116)

44 (33, p 16)

45 (8, p 162)

46 (8, p 162)

47 (16, pp 525, 526)

48 (16, p 206)

49 (16, Part II, pp 525-526)

The best summary of the history of the throwing-knife currency is made by Mrs. Quiggin⁵⁰ as follows: "The knife currency with the most extensive history and the most extended use is the *trombash* or throwing-knife of the Sudan and the Upper Nile, which, traveling across Africa as the *pinga* of the Azande, the *bo* of the Ubangi and the *woshele* (*oshele*) of the Sankuru, gave its name *shongo* to the Bushongo and Bakongo on both banks of the Kasai. Its prototype seems to be the wooden F-shaped *trombash* originating in Libya, which developed into a weapon characteristic of the Shari-Chad region; it achieved great effectiveness in the lands of the warlike Azande, who, with a well-directed hurl of a well-balanced knife, could cut off an enemy's leg at 20 yards. Dr. Maes, experimenting at Tervueren, cut through a ½ inch deal plank at 15 metres.

"The history of the throwing-knife illustrates the transition from weapon to currency with reflections of geographical and racial influences.

"In the Sudan, whirling along the open plains, the Zande *pinga* is a useful and barbarous weapon. But even in this area it has a definite currency value. Nachtigal tells of his difficulties in buying grain at Baghirmi, as the traders would take nothing but throwing-knives in exchange. He needed two a day, and the supply was inadequate.* * *

"Coming westward or southward into the forests of the Congo, throwing-knives are of little use. They retain their characteristic shape, but, without finish or polish or cutting-edges, become currency iron, capable of being made into tool or weapon if required. Among the Bangala and their neighbors in between the Congo and the northern curve of the Ubangi, they are recognized currency, 2 to 4 being paid for a goat, 6 to 8 for a male slave, and up to 30 for a woman.

"The throwing-knife occurs again as currency in the region of the Kasai and Sankuru under various names, the most widely known of which is the *shongo* or *woshele*. The *shongo* is neither a tool nor weapon, it is merely a conventional unit of iron, made by the Bankutu and spread with the extensive trade characteristics of the region by its intermediaries the Bakuba, more properly called Bushongo, whose name is reminiscent of their fame with the knife-like lightning.* * * Among the Basongo Meno, to the north of the Kasai and Sankuru, there is no evidence or tradition to suggest that the *shongo* were ever of any practical use, they are merely iron currency, and the same name is given to the iron bars of European manufacture which ousted the work of native smiths. The *shongo* were so eagerly and easily converted into tools, weapons or ornaments that they were rarely preserved in their original form, save possibly in the secret treasury of a chief. This rarity gives surviving specimens a fictitious value. 'The throwing-knife on the Sankura is a veritable banknote,' says Torday; 'its actual value in metal is a hundred times inferior to its estimated value, which is that of several slaves. . . .'

"The Bubu of the northern curve of the Ubangi, have a throwing-knife currency which could not possibly be used as a weapon of war or a tool of any sort. It is not even called a knife or a tool, but *ngindza*,

50 (22, pp 68-70)

which means 'money.' Here the blades have dissipated into bloated plates of very thin metal which, save as money, have no practical use."

The gradual decrease in local tribal warfare resulted in the throwing-knife being changed from a sharp cutting instrument to a blunt edged conventional one. These were used for currency in certain parts of the Kasai and represented their highest unit,⁵¹ and a peculiar F-shaped throwing-knife constituted the currency of several tribes in the Sankuru-Lukenye district. These were of rough thin iron with unsharpened edges.⁵² Throwing-knife currency was also used in Equatorial Africa⁵³ and they were used for exchange by the Mangbe tu, the Ubangis and the Sankurn tribes.⁵⁴

Einzig⁵⁵ says: "As a result of the adoption of the throwing-knife for monetary use, the Africans became increasingly reluctant to use it as a weapon, for if they missed their target and were unable to recover the weapon, they would be literally throwing their money away."

Currency Rods and Gitzie Pennies

Pieces of unwrought iron⁵⁶ in the form of rods⁵⁷ and heavy wire⁵⁸ served as currency in many parts of Africa before the coming of the Europeans and, upon their arrival, the newcomers found that iron bolts and other pieces of this metal were in great demand among the natives. Similar rods and wire of copper were in greater demand and had a higher value, as we shall see later. The form of the iron rods and wire were so varied that only a few of the more important ones deserve a detailed study.

Swanzy⁵⁹ relates that a native chief's brother, belonging to a tribe near Sierra Leone, visited on European ships and demanded twenty iron bars, which was the local currency, and states that a barrel of brandy was valued at four bars and a kettle.

Einzig⁶⁰ refers to curved iron bars, which served as money in Longone, and iron bar currency which was used in the French Congo, parts of Nigeria and on the Gold Coast, as well as iron strips, which were used by the Sherbo of Guinea Bay. Iron currency bars of a Y-shape were used on the Ubangu and in Southern Nigeria, where they were called "Ogoja pennies" and their value ranged from a penny to less than half a penny (British) each.⁶¹

Iron rods were the currency of Loma, where a hundred rods would purchase a slave or ox.⁶² Iron bars, with a flat, diamond-shaped center and twisted ends, served as currency for Eastern and Western Fulani, and the Mumuye to the south of them. These bars were carefully finished and their local value in 1934 was that of a British penny or a little less. In addition to their use as currency, they were utilized in making hoes and other implements.⁶³

The best known of all of the iron rod currency are the Gitzie (also spelled "Gize" and "Kissie") pennies. These are bars of twisted iron about the thickness of a lead pencil and from 12" to 20" long, with both ends flattened, one in a wing shape and the other resembling a

51 (35, p 2772)
52 (28, p 139)
53 (32, p 336)
54 (12, p 57)
55 (8, p 162)
56 (6, p 86)

57 (1, p 881)
58 (29, p 231)
59 (27, pp 194-195)
60 (8, pp 140, 152-4, 159, 161)
61 (22, p 87)
62 (8, p 156)
63 (22, p 87)

double tail.⁶⁴ They are made by native blacksmiths and used as currency in French Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone. They are generally associated, however, with the Gitzi tribe of northwest Liberia.

The Gitzie penny is sometimes called the "coin with a soul," because of the belief of the natives that if the tail or wing is broken off, the coin's "soul" has escaped and the piece cannot be put into circulation again until the medicine man has, for a slight fee, re-incarcerated the "soul."⁶⁵

Gale and Macpherson⁶⁶ describes the Gitzie penny and its composition as follows: "The coin is of rough workmanship and consists of a strip of roughly forged rectangular section, one half being twisted and the ends hammered out into thin blade-like projections, the broad end serving to prevent the 'coin' slipping through the belt in which it is carried.

"Analysis shows the metal to be wrought-iron of good quality, probably made by the direct process of reducing an oxide ore by carbon in presence of basic slag containing much iron oxide. . . The percentage composition is as follows: Carbon 0.095; silicon, 0.103, manganese, nil; sulphur, 0.024; and phosphorus, 0.046. . . ."

"The metal is extremely soft and easily bent. . . ."

The Gitzie pennies had a purchasing value of a British penny, or two cents in our money, and would buy enough rice to feed an ordinary family for one day.⁶⁷ Individual pennies, as well as bundles of them, were exchanged in local markets⁶⁸ and one author⁶⁹ reports seeing a native going to the market carrying a pig and returning home with a great bundle of these pennies.

Rings

Rings of metal were used for barter and currency many centuries ago in ancient Egypt, Briton, Ireland, China and Japan.⁷⁰ Hence it is not surprising that many circular iron pieces in various shapes and forms were used as currency in Africa. Coil bracelets, formerly made of brass, were made from large iron wire and called *senyenge*, are used as principal articles of exchange by the people of the Ugogo region and the northern countries inhabited by the Wamasai.⁷¹ The Myanda tribe of Angola manufactured iron rings in various shapes and sizes which were used for currency and neighboring tribes prized them for arm and leg ornaments. The iron being of excellent quality was useful for making needles, fish hooks, and surgical instruments.⁷² Bell⁷³ refers to iron neck collars worn by natives, which they polished by rubbing with mutton fat, but gives no information as to whether they were used as currency in that locality.

In Ethiopia bands of iron about two feet long and one inch wide, called *dorma*, were at one time in circulation, and fifteen or sixteen of them were equal to a Maria Theresa dollar.⁷⁴

Wertznier⁷⁵ states that in Equatorial Africa iron rings of horseshoe-shape served as currency. These pieces are similar in shape to the *manillas* discussed in Chapter VI, "Copper, Brass and Bronze Currency."

64 (20, p 29)

65 (13, p 36)

66 (11, p 138)

67 (13, p 36)

68 (33, p 35)

69 (10, p 75)

70 (30, pp 315, 316)

71 (7, Vol. II, p 395)

72 (18, p 78)

73 (4, p 176)

74 (33, p 16)

75 (32, p 334)

Most of the *manillas* were originally of copper or bronze; however, the later ones were of iron, or a mixture of iron and other metals, and these *manillas* became the principal currency from the Gold Coast to the Lower Niger. They are still used in some remote sections and have a value of about five or six cents in our money.⁷⁶

The shape of the *manillas* is very similar to that of the bronze Irish ring money⁷⁷ and somewhat like the ancient bracelets of Egypt and Rome. They are open bracelet-like objects resembling a horseshoe with the two extremities flattened like a camel's foot. Four or five different sizes were in circulation in various parts of Africa. Because of their use on the Slave Coast they are sometimes called "slave money" and doubtless were used in the notorious slave-buying days.

As the iron *manillas* replaced those of copper, brass and bronze, tons of imitations were imported from Birmingham, England, and an attempt was made to introduce *manillas* of cast iron, but they were not accepted by the natives because they would not ring when struck.⁷⁸ Iron "*King Manillas*," consisting of large, thick curved iron bars with slightly splayed-out ends, were used as currency in some areas and were worth one hundred of the ordinary iron *manillas* or a slave.⁷⁹

Because of the limited use of the iron *manillas*, as compared to those of bronze and copper, a more detailed discussion of them will be found in Chapter VI.

Miscellaneous Iron Currencies

The various iron objects used for currency from time to time in Africa, in addition to those heretofore discussed, are too numerous for a detailed account, and many writers are so vague in their reference to the shapes and sizes of miscellaneous iron currencies that their observations are of no value to us. For example, many mention "flat iron pieces" as currency. Some of these may refer to the flat, thin, canoe-paddle shaped blades having a sharp point at one end, which were used as currency in certain parts of Africa and apparently are a form of hoe money.

Iron axes are frequently mentioned as currency, usually in connection with spears, hoes and knives.⁸⁰ These were used in Equatorial Africa,⁸¹ in Anglo-Egyptian Sudan⁸² and in many other sections of Africa, as were iron chisel-shaped pieces.

Heavy ingots in the shape of a large grain grinder, weighing between ten and fifteen pounds, and called *ensubas*, were ancient forms of wife-money, and it usually required thirty of these to "buy" a wife among the Bizon, in the East Cameroons, West Africa.^{82a} These pieces are said to have been current years before the arrival of the white men.⁸³ Although no longer in use, these large, cumbersome pieces are highly prized by the natives of Portuguese West Africa, who are fortunate enough to own them, and they seem to now represent stored wealth.⁸⁴

Apparently almost all metallic objects at one time had a certain currency role in sections of Africa,⁸⁵ and at one time old rusty chains and old iron cannons were objects of great value in barter,⁸⁶ as were

76 (22, p 89)
77 (22, p 89)
78 (22, p 90)
79 (22, p 90)
80 (12, p 51)
81 (32, p 724)

82 (12, p 24)
82a (20, p 56)
83 (20, p 57)
84 (14, p 22)
85 (22, p 75)
86 (3, p 84)

antique rifles, as we shall see later in Chapter VII.

Bells in one form or another have been used as currency in many parts of the world, and Africa is no exception. Mrs. Quiggin⁸⁷ says that in sections of the Middle Congo regions, and in the Welle-Ubangi region to the north: "Iron gongs on bells are doubtfully included in currency. These are made of lengths of iron, beaten out and hammered together down the edges; they have no tongues, but are beaten with rubber-headed sticks. They are found singly or in pairs, rigidly connected with a curved handle, and they range from 6 inches (15 cm) in height, to a couple of feet (50 to 60 cm).

"Five of the smaller ones would buy a pot of palm oil, 100 would buy a slave. Those of the Mobenge between the Welle and the Middle Congo, huge upstanding fellows, were worth a wife, or 2 male slaves. . . . These native-made gongs or bells spread over a wide area, from Togo to East Africa, and often have ritual significance; several have been found in the diggings at Zimbabwe and other contemporary ruins in Southern Rhodesia, and they occur in Northern Rhodesia also. One old and dilapidated specimen in the Livingston Museum is preserved as the *lukano* or insignia of the Lunda chiefs, and wars have been waged for possession of a *lukano*."

It is difficult to follow the author's reason for doubt concerning the currency role of these bells and other authors unreservedly classify them as currency. Leeming,⁸⁸ in speaking of Africa, says: "Crudely wrought spades, bells, hoes and bars are some of the most popular types of metallic money." Howard D. Gibbs,⁸⁹ of Pittsburgh, who has made an intensive study of primitive money of Africa says: "Iron bells of various shapes and sizes were used by several tribes, including the Gungas." He refers to the double bells as follows: "Among the natives of the Foubman District curious double bell-shaped pieces of iron, without any clapper, were in use long ago. Today they are a sign of authority among the lesser chiefs. . . ." ⁹⁰ And Einzig,⁹¹ in speaking of the primitive currency of the Gabon, French Equatorial Africa, refers to "bell-shaped pieces of iron, four of them tied together, or snail-shaped pieces of iron, likewise linked." He also says that iron double bells were used as currency in the French Congo.

Small, tack-shaped bits of iron about $\frac{1}{2}$ " long served as currency in Southern Nigeria, were valued at three shillings a pound, and their exchange value was reckoned at about forty-five to a British penny, or twice the value of a cowry shell. These little pieces are variously called "arrow-heads," "axes," and "needle money." Apparently they were at one time used to buy slaves, although a great number were doubtless required, even if they had suffered from deflation during modern times.⁹² Einzig⁹³ refers to "arrow points" and "Tin-tack" shaped pieces of iron as among the iron currencies of Nigeria and says: "Secret societies issued their own currency resembling small squashed tin-tacks with arrow-shaped heads and with stems the thickness of a large pin. Between Awka and Enugu, similar arrow-heads were in use and worth about forty-five to a (British) penny."

87 (22, pp 74, 75)

88 (18, p 77)

89 (13, pp 33, 34)

90 (13, pp 23, 24)

91 (8, pp 138, 140)

92 (22, pp 88, 89)

93 (8, p 152)

"Flag-shaped" pieces of iron constituted the small change of the Fan in French Equatorial Africa. These small pieces are also tied ten into a bundle. In addition to passing as common currency, they were used in "bride-purchase" and thousands were required for that purpose.⁹⁴

Einzig⁹⁵ says that at the beginning of the 17th century "big iron needles with a semi-circle at one end were employed as small money in Ashanti." Wieschhoff⁹⁶ shows (Fig. 5) an iron harpoon type currency piece about 12 inches long with a loop at one end and a barbed spear at the other, which may be the piece which Einzig calls a "large needle."

Iron discs about two and five-eighths inches to two and seven-eighths inches in diameter are believed to have served as currency years ago in Ashanti. They were apparently made at Juaben and used under the authority of the Omanhene.⁹⁷

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The contents are largely of an advanced and technical nature, of interest to people who know the periodical well and consult it. However there is one new discovery, which is of interest to all students of the history of medieval coins, and to specialists in the medieval history and literature of England. A round struck silver halfpenny of Henry I, of about 1108 A.D. has been found. The piece weighs about half as much as a penny, and the reviewer expresses his firm opinion that the types are somewhat abbreviated copies of Henry's sixth penny type, on the basis of the photographic reproduction on Plate A, No. 7, as compared with BMC, Norman Kings, Plate XL.9. The coin has been known since 1877, but not published, until now when it is discussed by Peter Seaby, Philip Grierson, and Christopher Brooke. Some doubts had been felt about whether the coin was really continental, and strong arguments for the English origin are presented. Oddly enough the strongest one is not mentioned; the moneyer is a certain Godwin, spelled GODPINE. Every collector who has a coin of William the Conqueror knows the PILLEM REX of his coinage, and that in English inscriptions the runic character "wen" was added in the Latin alphabet in a form that closely resembles capital P. But so far as I can learn it was not so mixed into the "Roman alphabet" on the continent.

It will be remembered that in England it was the custom to strike the penny, and cut it into halves and quarters with shears to supply farthings and halfpennies. But Saxon Kings struck round halfpennies occasionally, and John issued such pieces in Ireland in 1210. However a chronicler, John of Worcester, stated, as did some authors who copied from his work, that Henry I authorized the round halfpenny. The matter is also mentioned by Geoffrey of Monmouth in a poem called the Prophecies of Merlin, inserted in his History. Geoffrey was rather accurate on things that came to pass between his time and "Merlin's" supposed lifetime; but very sketchy on the real future. The round halfpenny was of course already historical. The excessive rarity of specimens of the round halfpenny of Henry I may be accounted for by the expense of making them, and probably by the fact they proved unpopular, like our twenty-cent piece.

— T. O. MABBOTT,
Hunter College, New York

NEW ENGLAND NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION

The many plans laid by the Convention Committee under the guidance of James F. Clapp, Jr., chairman, and Maurice M. Gould, president, made the 8th Annual Convention of the New England Numismatic Association the best that has been held to date.

Held on Saturday and Sunday, October 11, and 12, at the Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Boston, it attracted collectors from near and far and, while but 130 registered, well over 200 attended.

To commemorate the event a special medal showing a replica of the Pine Tree Shilling, was struck in gold, silver and bronze.

The Auction, conducted by Stack's of New York City, was held in two sessions. Both were well attended and competition was keen. Bourse table takers were from as far West as Iowa, and exhibitors included the Messrs. Came, Fuld, Futter, Jillette, Grimala, Harrigan, Rideout, Dr. Miller, and the Worcester County Numismatic Society.

Door prizes donated by dealer members and friends proved an entertaining feature and were given out during the buffet supper Saturday night.

On Sunday morning, Mr. Clapp gave a lecture on Ancient Greek Coins on which he is an authority, and the accompanying slides were through the courtesy of the ANA Visual Education Committee.

Reports of the 1952 Officers and Directors were given at the business meeting Sunday afternoon. 1953 Officers were elected, and next year's Convention will be held in Worcester, Mass.

Featured speakers at Sunday night's banquet were J. Douglas Ferguson of Quebec, a past ANA President, and Curator Vernon L. Brown of the Chase National Bank. Mr. Ferguson gave a penetrating outline for successful coin clubs, and Mr. Brown spoke on the fascinating subject of Emergency Money or Depression Scrip.

JUNE T. POND, Past Secretary-Treasurer

COME TO DALLAS FOR THE A.N.A. CONVENTION IN 1953

Texas occupies all of the continent of North America except a small part set aside for the United States, Canada and Mexico. Texas is bounded on the north by 25 to 30 states, on the east by all of the oceans except the Pacific, on the south by the Gulf of Mexico and South America, and on the west by the Pacific Ocean and the rest of the world. Underneath Texas they have at this writing been down only 3 miles or so for oil, and Texas has in 9,500-foot Guadalupe Peak the highest hill in the U. S. east of the Rockies. If necessary to meet competition the depth of the hole and the height of the peak will be increased. A Texan never prevaricates. By the time you think you have proved an exaggeration the growing state has made good his claims.

Texas is so big that the people in Brownsville call the Dallas people "Dam-yankees." It is farther from El Paso to Texarkana than it is from Chicago to New York, and Texarkana is closer to Milwaukee by airline than it is to El Paso. The United States with Texas left out would look like a three-legged Boston Terrier.

The chief occupation of the people of Texas is to try to keep from making all the money in the world, and at that the wealth of Texas increased 539% between 1900 and 1927. At one time Texas was so wild that not even the law of gravitation was obeyed, and the chief pursuit of the Texans was Indians, but now it is crop records and oil production. It is so healthful in Texas that out in Eastland a horned frog lived 30 years sealed in a cornerstone without food, air or water.

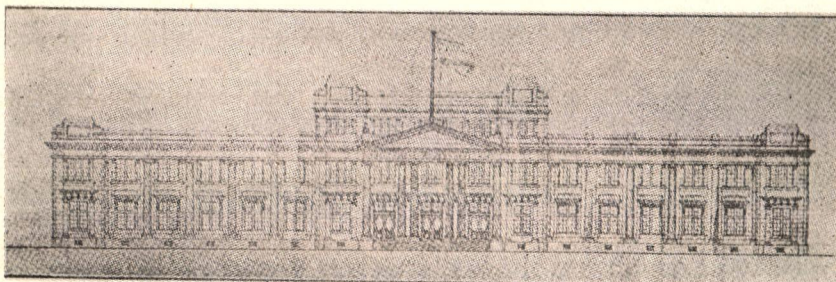
Texans are so proud of the Lone Star State that they cannot sleep at night. If a Texan's head should be opened the map of the State would be found on his brain. The word "Texas" is of Indian origin and means "Friends," and the Texas people are that way yet unless you take a slam at their State. Down on the King ranch the front gate is 150 miles from the front porch and the owner is thinking of moving the house back so as not to be annoyed by passing automobiles. Other Texas landlords have whole mountain ranges on their ranches, and one Texan has 40 miles of navigable river on his farm. If the proportion of cultivated land in Texas were the same as in Illinois, the value of Texas crops would equal that of the other 47 States combined. If all the people of the United States were to move to Texas, it still would be no more densely populated than is Massachusetts. Texas has land enough to supply every man, woman and child in the whole world with a tract 20 x 200 feet, and have enough left over for all the armies of the world to march around five abreast.

CHINESE MINTS WITH MODERN MACHINERY

By E. KANN, Los Angeles, California

(For many years member of the Advisory Committee of the National Government Mint at Shanghai.)

There is abundant evidence of the existence of official minting establishments in China for the production of bronze-*cash*, coinage distinguished by a square or round hole in the center. However, since those medieval coins were cast by primitive methods, no machinery was needed for their production.



What we are concerned with today is the striking of metallic coins by means of modern machinery. The accompanying tabulation supplies a clear picture of such mints, as they were operated in China at one time or the other. While it is not the first time that I have published such a compilation, it is the first occasion that a complete and authentic list is now being presented to students of Chinese coinage. Publications by myself of former tables have now been checked, revised, enlarged and brought up-to-date and are today being presented for the first time in their new attire. The new list is entitled to claim authenticity as a result of extensive researches covering many years.

Although the prerogatives of coinage nominally were vested in the Central Government of China, the numerous provinces usurped the privilege for themselves and kept the procedure decentralized for selfish

reasons. About 50 years ago, the modern Tientsin Mint was proclaimed the Central Mint of China; the decree remained law on paper only, since the provinces completely ignored its provisions.

Only upon the completion of the National Government Mint at Shanghai (in 1933) was it ordered in unequivocal terms that henceforth the Shanghai Mint would be the only minting plant, destined to give the country one uniform currency. And, strange as this might sound, the provinces agreed to obey Nanking's orders. While the Shanghai Mint then began to work in an exemplary manner (constituting the largest minting establishment in the world), the coinage plants in the provinces closed their shutters.

In contradistinction to the bad old times, the National Mint produced and presented to the public unambiguous statistics relative to output and costs, thus gaining the confidence of the people throughout the country. Nickel coins, which formerly were brusquely refused by the public, found most eager takers from 1935 onward.



The Shanghai Central Mint of China

The sacked and destroyed Central Mint at Tientsin, March, 1912. Rebuilt in 1914. In the foreground can be seen the charred skeleton of the unknown soldier, i.e. either a guard, or more likely a plundering soldier.

The position of coinage in China had improved in a miraculous manner and would have displayed lasting confidence, had it not been for the sudden onrush of Armageddon. When the Japanese invasion occurred in August of 1937, the Government had to flee toward Szechuen. But

while doing so, it succeeded in dismantling the machinery of the Shanghai Mint and taking most of it along under unheard-of difficulties. Red China of today claims to get along without metallic money, i.e. without coinage. However, the following tabulation is likely to remain an authoritative memento in the realm of coinage for old China.

TABLE OF MODERN MINTS WHICH SERVED CHINA

Province	City	Established	Remarks
KIANGSU	Shanghai	1921	Started working March, 1933; closed 1937
KIANGSU	Nanking	1897	Silver and copper. Burned down 1929
KIANGSU	Tsingkiang	1905	Produced coppers only
CHEKIANG	Hangchow	1896	Mostly silver; closed down early 1930s
ANHWEI	Anking	1897	Closed in 1899, followed by another mint
FUKIEN	Foochow	1901	Under provincial government; small coin
FUKIEN	Hungshanchao	1905	Was under military control. Small coin
FUKIEN	Makiang	1905	Was under naval control. Small coin
FUKIEN	Shahshien	1924	Was under military control. Small coin
FUKIEN	Amoy	1924	Controlled by merchants. Small coin
FUKIEN	Yenping	1924	Subsidiary silver coinage only
FUKIEN	Yuki	1925	Subsidiary silver coinage only
KWANGSI	Nanning	1905	Mostly coppers; stopped work in 1921
KWANGSI	Wuchow	1920	Mostly coppers; stopped work in 1921
KWANGSI	Kweilin	1905	Small silver coin; in 1938/39 also nickels
KWEICHOW	Kweiyang	1938	Used Shanghai mint machinery on nickels
SUIYUAN	Kweisui		Copper coins only
KWANGTUNG	Canton	1887	Largest producer of fractional silver
KWANGTUNG	Swatow	1924	Small silver coins. Closed in 1925
KWANGTUNG	Samshui	1925	Closed after 6 months' functioning
KWANGTUNG	Pakhoi	1925	Debased 20-cents silver coins
KWANGTUNG	Hoihow	1925	Debased 20-cents silver coins
YUNNAN	Kunming	1905	German machinery. Bombed in 1940
KIANGSI	Nanchang	1901	Coppers and silver coinage
HUNAN	Changsha	1901	Coppers and fractional silver coins
SZECHUEN	Chengtu	1898	American and Japanese machinery
SZECHUEN	Chungking	1913	American and British machinery
SZECHUEN	Yachow	1926	Military management
SIKONG	Kanting	1926	Principally Szechuen rupee coins
SHENSI	Sian	1924	Coppers only
KANSU	Lanchow	1873	In arsenal. Output mainly coppers
HONAN	Kaifeng	1901	Mostly coppers. Closed in 1914
SHANSI	Taiyuan	1819	Coppers and subsidiary silver coins
SHANTUNG	Tsinan	1905	Worked sparingly on coppers
CHIH LI	Tientsin	1901	Originally head mint. Destroyed in 1912
CHIH LI	Peiyang	1905	Branch mint of Tientsin Central Mint
CHIH LI	Peking	1899	Destroyed in 1900 Boxer Rebellion
CHAHAR	Kalgan	1923	Copper coins only
FENG TIEN	Mukden	1901	German and American machinery
KIRIN	Kirin	1901	Copper & silver coins. Burned in 1911
FORMOSA	Taipeh	1890	Closed 1895. Newly opened in 1949

Dependencies:

SINKIANG	Kashgar	Between	Extensive silver and copper coinage
SINKIANG	Tihwa	1865	Extensive silver and copper coinage
SINKIANG	Yarkand		Small silver and copper coinage
SINKIANG	Aksu	and	In silver 5-fen, 5, 3, 2 and 1 chien coins
SINKIANG	Yanghisar		5-fen in silver
SINKIANG	Khotan	about	5-fen in silver
SINKIANG	Kuche	1880	Copper coinage only
SINKIANG	Kouldja		Copper coinage only
TIBET	Lhassa	1792	1-tangka silver coins; later also coppers

EDWARD T. NEWELL MEMORIAL AWARD

Through the generosity of Louis S. Werner of New York City there has been established The Edward T. Newell Memorial Award. In addition to perpetuating the memory of this great numismatic scholar it is designed to advance the study and publication of articles on ancient coinages.

It will be awarded annually to a member in good standing of the American Numismatic Association.



Rules:

1) Papers will be judged on any phase of Greek or Roman numismatics. (Greek numismatics is understood to include all ancient issues under Greek influence.)

2) Articles must be original and properly documented with all references quoted.

3) Papers may be published in any numismatic periodical, though preference will be given articles in English.

Purpose of the Committee:

1) To examine articles of a nature to be eligible.

2) The Award will be announced and the trophy granted at the end of each calendar year.

3) No responsibility is assumed by the Committee to have read everything printed.

Present Committee:

Appointed by Louis S. Werner, Donor and General Chairman: Dr. Thomas O. Mabbott, Chairman; Stuart Mosher; Frederick S. Knobloch, Corresponding Secretary.

NATIONAL COIN WEEK 1953

April 17-23

With National Coin Week only two months away, the Committee wishes to draw your attention, interest and enthusiasm. Let's get started now!

The theme as announced in the January issue, "Coins of Historical Significance," has been particularly chosen to give all collectors an opportunity to participate. Emphasis is being placed on numismatics of *historical* significance, which naturally means in addition to coins, such of your possessions as medals, currency and any other related items, foreign as well as United States. It is our desire to reach all collectors with a theme which will permit active participation.

No doubt many of you will have questions to be answered. Our very large file of previous committee activity contains hundreds of letters which were answered — a tremendous task. We shall appreciate your interest, but will be more grateful if you will hold off until after our two mailings. These will be released about the twentieth of February and March and will contain general information, specific instructions, entry blanks, identification display cards, suggested newspaper publicity, etc. Please consult your Club Secretary and local National Coin Week Chairman; however, if they cannot assist you, we shall be happy to hear from you.

Again we urge you to get started. If your club does not as yet have an N.C.W. Chairman, see that one is appointed. Plans for individual participation should be well under way. We cannot check on each one, but encourage you to "get going."

E. Ward Russell, General Chairman
Eldridge G. Jones, Vice Chairman
NATIONAL COIN WEEK

Notes & Queries

OBSERVATIONS OF A CLUB SECRETARY

I have completed my annual reports as Secretary of The Washington Numismatic Society and make the following observations: We were fortunate to receive 25 new members during 1952; however we secured only 5 as A N A members—a very poor showing, despite the efforts of the President. I wonder what other Clubs could report!

In the December issue of *The Numismatist* of the 32 different "Report of Club Meetings" only 19 secretaries are listed in the 1951 Numismatic Directory as A N A members. What's the matter with the other 13—why don't you belong?

I believe the secretary, if re-elected over a period of years, becomes the key man in his club. He probably has a nice collection, is interested in numismatics in general and his own club in particular. I challenge you with these questions: What are you doing about A N A membership for your new members; or in fact, for your old ones who do not belong? How many applications have you sponsored since elected? Who is in a better position to contact the new members than the secretary?

I know your answers in advance! "It's the job of the A N A Representative," "Let George do it" would be better!!! You are not "too busy" or you would not be the secretary!!! I am ashamed to say I am as guilty as you. Let's look at a few figures.

National Coin Week is upon us, and points will be given for A N A membership applications. In one of the recent annual contests with 39 clubs competing only 13 received points for A N A membership—10 points for each one. 48 new members were received with one club obtaining 14; 2 with 7 each. These figures speak for themselves—poorly, that is.

The General Secretary membership report to the August Convention for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1952 shows 983 *Regular* members admitted. 647 deceased, resigned, suspended or expelled. 451 net gain in membership or 6.2%. We are still below our 1948-49 peak!!!

Well, what are we going to do about A N A Membership in 1953? A good time to start is *now* and cer-

tainly as National Coin Week nears to help the club in its points. I need not remind you old time secretaries, who belong to the A N A, of its membership benefits. However I feel you need a shot in the arm to get you conscious of your duty, even though "George" and the A N A Representative can do it. I am disgusted with a Corporate Member Club's secretary who has not joined the A N A. How can I expect you to get new members, when you do not belong. Get your own application to Secretary Reagan BEFORE you send your next club report!!!

This Secretary's observation is not entirely directed at just secretaries—bless 'em. What have YOU done about this membership question? You know the answer. Individual members of the A N A are just as responsible as the Officials and the club officers. (Yes, you will be able to earn points for the Individual Participation in National Coin Week contest.)

Let's get started NOW to raise that 6.2% net gain. "Sell" A N A membership to the new members as well as the "old timers." You know all will benefit, so let's get going!!!

—Eldridge G. Jones, Secretary
Washington Numismatic Society

PRIVATE TRIAL PIECE OF 1849

Dear Mr. Mosher:

Some time ago an interesting item of the California Pioneer Gold series came to my attention and was subsequently partially described in an article by R. A. Webb in the December, 1948, bulletin of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Association. Subsequently I have been able to describe it more fully as follows:

Overstruck on a large U.S. cent of 1849. Obverse (of the cent)—eagle to left, holding three arrows and olive branch—above, "CALIFORNIA," below, "GOLD," with stars on either side—5 stars between eagle's right wing tip and "D" of "GOLD."

(Unfortunately, this is evidently a sledge-hammer trial of the dies, and is not completely struck axe on left.)

Reverse (of the cent) - - - - CA MINING COMPANY "+" (star) above, "VALUE" below, and a large

Roman numeral "X" in the center of the field.

The type font is similar to that of the Miners' Bank pieces of 1849, as is the eagle, which is almost positively the work of Kuhner. This and the disposition of the legends, lead me to suspect that after Wright left the Miners' Bank, he may have proposed a coinage from one of the mining enterprises he started later.

I am communicating with the California Historical Society to see if Wright's further activities will corroborate my suspicions, but meanwhile will appreciate any comments or information that readers may supply.

Sincerely yours,

SYL C. TULLY, Jr.,
454 Porter Avenue
San Jose, California

NEW HAVEN SOCIETY CELEBRATES 90TH ANNIVERSARY

The 90th anniversary of the founding of New Haven Numismatic Society and the 15th year of its present activity was celebrated Monday, November 24, 1952 at a banquet held by the Society at Weather Vane Inn in Mt. Carmel, Connecticut. Featured speakers were Colonel Joseph Moss, President of The American Numismatic Association, Mrs. June T. Pond of Boston, a Director of ANA and Walter P. Johnson, who was Secretary of New Haven Numismatic Society for many years, who gave a history of the early days of the Society.

George B. Gorham, President of New Haven Numismatic Society, delivered the address of welcome to the 50 guests who assembled from all over New England to do honor to the fourth oldest Numismatic Society in the United States. Mr. Johnson traced the history of the early beginnings of New Haven Numismatic Society pointing out that it was organized November 25, 1862 and while the early records are not available although due search has been made for them, it appears that the leading light of the early days was Dr. Henry Bronson of New Haven and a Mr. Champion was Secretary. The minutes of the early meetings are not available, although search was made in the Yale Library, the New Haven County Historical Society, the State Library and a thorough search was made of the newspaper files. It is felt that some day the early minutes of New Haven Numismatic Society will come out of some attic trunk, and then there will be revealed the early beginnings of the Society.

Mrs. June T. Pond, who is Secretary of Boston Numismatic Society, in addition to her present duties as a director from New England of American Numismatic Association congratulated the New Haven Numismatic Society on its long and honorable career and the present fine state of its membership and the work being done to further the interest in numismatics. She particularly commented on the number of women who are members of the New Haven Numismatic Society and pointed out that this is a good thing for the future of numismatics. She discussed some of the work of her late husband, Mr. Shepard Pond, who was a leader in numismatics for many years.

Colonel Joseph Moss, of Philadelphia, brought the greetings of the National Association to New Haven Numismatic Society and discussed the work, policies and aims of the National body. His remarks were humorous and well received.

Maurice Gould, of Boston, former President of New England Association was called upon for a few brief remarks. Others who spoke briefly were Judge Alfred B. Aubrey, a member of ANA for fifty-two years, Henry Fortier, who is a charter member of the New Haven Numismatic Society, who presented Mrs. Pond with a valuable medal in honor of her election as a director of American Numismatic Association. Others introduced were Pat Maffeo, Treasurer, Joseph Melnick, Vice President, and Merton A. Robinson, of New Haven, who is a renowned ballistics expert, who joined the New Haven Numismatic Society.

David M. Richman, the Secretary of New Haven Numismatic Society, was the toastmaster.

Farran Zerbe Memorial Award

Presented annually, to a member or a member local club, for Distinguished Service and for the advancement of the Science of Numismatics rendered to the American Numismatic Association.

This award, made in memory, named in honor of the late Farran Zerbe, who was one of the American Numismatic Association's most faithful and devoted friends, who, during his 50 years as a member, was so often called upon, and one, who so very happily volunteered to make personal sacrifices, by giving of his time, talents and money whenever the association was in difficulties, and one, who dedicated his life's work to the Science of Numismatics. He was the outstanding scholar of American Numismatics, Dean of the American Numismatists, a champion for Good Fellowship, and a truly great gentleman. His wish for the future of the association, that we encourage and stimulate the interest of the members, to follow into the footsteps of their founders and builders of the organization, to build a strong and better association for the future generation.



Farran Zerbe

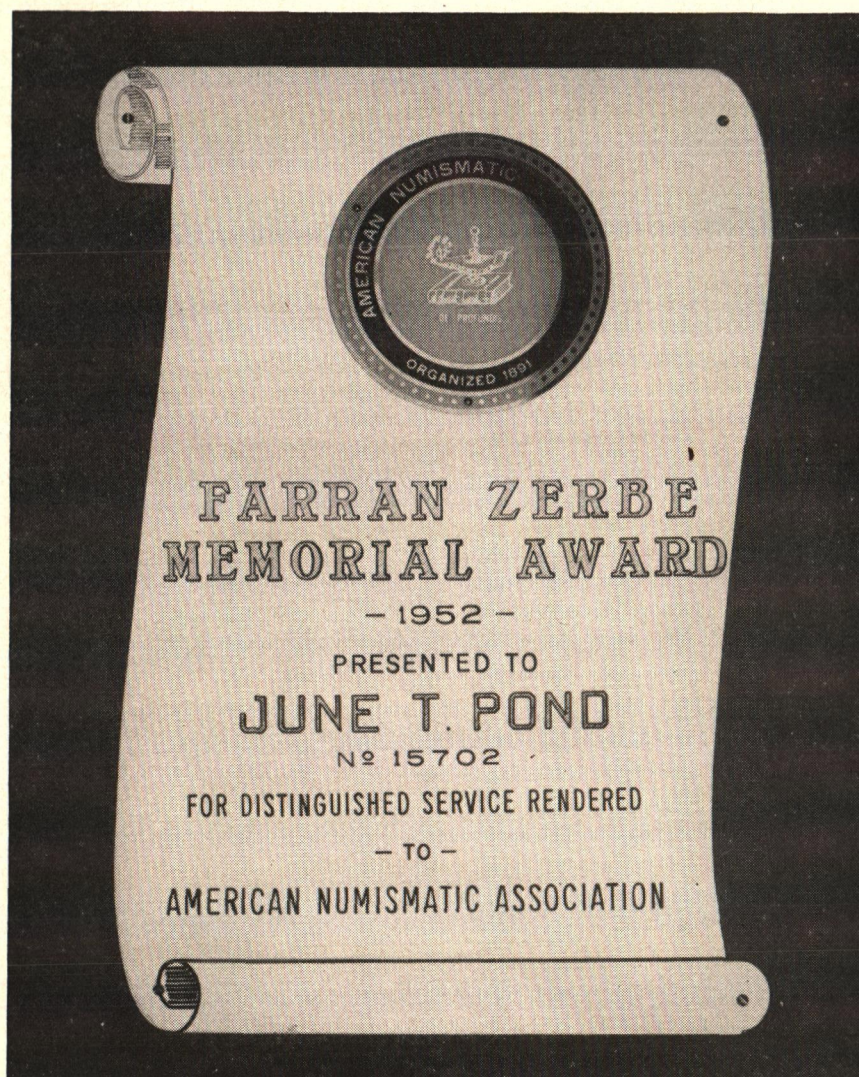


June T. Pond

The Farran Zerbe Memorial Award was founded and donated by Louis S. Werner of New York, who was a dear friend of the late Farran Zerbe for the past 25 years and was with him until his last hour. He will act as the Honorary Chairman and will appoint a committee of outstanding Numismatists every year to select a recipient.

The award for 1952 went to Mrs. June T. Pond of Winchester, Mass., for her distinguished service to numismatics, to the various numismatic organizations with which she is affiliated, and in particular, to the American Numismatic Association of which she is a member of the Board of Governors. Mr. M. Vernon Sheldon of Chicago received the award for 1951.

M. VERNON SHELDON
LEWIS M. REAGAN
LOUIS S. WERNER
C. H. RYAN, Chairman



This plaque, representing the 1952 Farran Zerbe Memorial Award, was presented to Mrs. Pond at the January meeting of the Boston Numismatic Society.

FROM YOUR LIBRARIAN

MRS. D. DEE DENISE, 5550 28th Avenue, N.E., Seattle 5, Washington



Well, it may be hard to believe, but I spent Christmas afternoon putting up BOOK ORDERS! I had been told that there would not be much activity around the holidays, but someone misinformed me! There was twice as much to do in the Library the last half of December than in the first half, — and the usual Christmas cookies didn't get baked. Those of you who asked for specific research were left out on a limb because our Navy daughter was home on furlough and I turned chauffeur and perhaps some of you suffered because of it.

Remember the Balboa note from Panama which we talked about in December? It has received considerable attention. Comandante Luis F. Ardois of Havana wrote to us that he is searching for some of the notes which Arnulfo Arias MAY have left behind him in Cuba. Perhaps we will hear more about this later. Meanwhile Vernon L. Brown, Curator of the Museum of Moneys of the World in connection with the Chase National Bank of the City of New York, sends us these authentic figures on the currency notes issued by the Republic of Panama in 1941:

"By Executive Decree No. 103 of 1941, the issuance of the following Notes was authorized:

720,000 Notes of One Balboa
100,000 Notes of Five Balboas
100,000 Notes of Ten Balboas
25,000 Notes of Twenty Balboas

However, only the following were

placed in circulation on the first days of October, 1941:

144,000 B/1.00 Notes for a total of B/144,000
24,000 B/5.00 Notes for a total of B/120,000
12,000 B/10.00 Notes for a total of B/120,000
3,000 B/20.00 Notes for a total of B/60,000

These notes were called in accordance with Decree Law No. 19 of December 30, 1941, and all were cremated except B/6,500, which are still outstanding." This information is from the Panama Branch of the Chase National Bank, and Mr. Brown says that they were informed that the notes are still redeemable. The Bank in New York has a specimen set of the four notes, and also the actual notes in one, five, and ten Balboas denominations. These are beautiful notes and are as colorful as their history.

You will be interested in a few new acquisitions. From the erudite Michael Grant, who wrote A.N.S. Monograph #116, ASPECTS OF THE PRINCIPATE OF TIBERIUS (G-50) comes a short and very interesting article called ROMAN COINS AS PROPAGANDA (G-51). This is an excerpt from the summer, 1952, number of ARCHAEOLOGY, and was sent to the Library by Col. Charles C. Loughlin of Rocky Mount, North Carolina. The illustrations are superb, — you know — large enough to really enable you to see the mole on Faustina's swanlike neck.

Tokens are enjoying great popularity now, and from Howard H. Kurth has come a copy of his new REVISED LIST OF AMERICAN GAME COUNTERS, (K-28) reprinted from the Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine (plug). This has 24 pages, well sprinkled with pictures.

The indefatigable Seabys are still at it. They have sent us a new book by H. A. Seaby entitled ROMAN SILVER COINS (S-133). This is Volume 1 and covers the Republic to Augustus, arranged according to Babelon, and containing 137 pages full of historical notes, pictures and current prices of the coins.

From Major Sheldon S. Carroll has come a copy of the ROYAL CANADIAN MINT REPORT for the calendar year 1951. (C-51).

From Dr. Otto Louis Schreiber of the Mount Airy Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, has come a book listing the collection of Martin Luther items which he formed and gave to the Seminary. The book is called MARTIN LUTHER and the REFORMATION in NUMISMATIC ART (S-134). I would like very much to see this collection and wish that Philadelphia were not so far across the country.

Now for those of you who are especially interested in the coins of our own great country,—and it IS great, isn't it,—especially when you read about what is happening everywhere else in the World—the new CATALOGUE OF UNITED STATES COINS AND TOKENS (R-38, 1953) has just arrived from Wayte Raymond. This is a fine donation but I think we'll have to buy a couple more, because the line forms on the right, and there are several people standing in it now.

The 6th Edition of the GUIDE BOOK OF UNITED STATES COINS, 1953-54 (Y-2) has just come from the

author publisher, R. S. Yeoman, and also from Mr. Yeoman we have received THE HANDBOOK OF UNITED STATES COINS with PREMIUM LIST (Y-4), tenth Edition. This is edited by Mr. Yeoman, Lee F. Hewitt, and Charles E. Green. The last three books mentioned are always worked overtime.

And now a final note to those of you in Canada. When you return books you have borrowed, will you please write on the outside wrapper "Gratuitous reading matter returned to sender"? Then I will not have to pay the postman fifteen cents for the privilege of letting the customs department of the Post Office open the package!

Today, in January, I received an order which was mailed November 15th. The address was incorrect in two places,—the house number was wrong and N.E. was omitted from the street number. I think the post office threw it in a bin until the Christmas rush was over! Please be careful to get the address correct.

And be sure to remember to order early those books which you will need to make your exhibits interesting for the coming Spring regional conventions. Perhaps it will take just a book to help you win a prize!

DOMESTIC COINAGE EXECUTED, BY MINTS DURING NOVEMBER, 1952

Denomination	Philadelphia	San Francisco	Denver	Total Value	Total Pieces
SILVER					
Half dollars	\$ 908,751.50		\$ 211,000.00	\$ 1,119,751.50	2,239,503
Quarter dollars	375.75		1,107,000.00	1,107,375.75	4,429,503
Dimes	1,174,150.30	\$540,000.00	618,000.00	2,332,150.30	23,321,503
Total Silver	\$2,083,277.55	\$540,000.00	\$1,936,000.00	\$4,559,277.55	29,990,509
MINOR					
Five-cent pieces	\$ 250,275.00	\$126,400.00		\$ 376,675.00	7,533,500
One-cent pieces	364,315.00	126,000.00	\$1,041,200.00	1,531,515.00	153,151,500
Total Minor	\$ 614,590.00	\$252,400.00	\$1,041,200.00	\$1,908,190.00	160,685,000
Total Domestic Coinage	\$2,697,867.55	\$792,400.00	\$2,977,200.00	\$6,467,467.55	190,675,509

COINAGE EXECUTED FOR FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS

Mint	Country	Metal	Denomination	No. of Pieces
Philadelphia	Honduras	Silver	20 Centavo	2,500,000

CUMULATIVE MINT REPORT FOR 1952, JANUARY TO NOVEMBER

(Giving the number of pieces struck)

	Philadelphia	San Francisco	Denver
Half dollars, regular	24,503,450	5,526,000	24,586,800
Half dollars, commemorative*	2,006,292	6,003	6,003
Quarter dollars	31,908,939	11,267,800	42,952,000
Dimes	89,207,458	42,049,500	108,398,312
Five-cent pieces	56,125,280	22,216,500	38,522,300
One-cent pieces	117,742,380	90,080,004	496,565,000

*Commemorative: Booker T. Washington-George Washington Carver.

Report of the General Secretary

Admission to Membership

Applicants numbered 20471-20544 as published in the December issue have been admitted to membership.

Applicants for Membership

The following applications were received in December 1952. If there are no objections filed prior to March 1953, these applicants will become members on that date and notice to this effect will appear in the April issue.

- 20631 **Dr. Robert Bilinski**, 24 Hamilton Ave., Mt. Vernon, N. Y. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20632 **Rev. John Jershe**, Box 625, Tower, Minn. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20633 **James W. Hanner**, 3416 W. Brookview Drive, Waco, Texas. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20634 **Louis B. Peradotto**, 309 10th Ave., San Francisco 16, Calif. U. S. Coins. Edward Fogler.
- 20635 **L. Parlin Estes**, 2118 46th Ave., San Francisco 16, Calif. U. S. Coins. Edward Fogler.
- 20636 **Ann Pennington**, P. O. Box 406, Waycross, Ga. U. S. General. William J. Bryan.
- 20637 **Louis M. Kelly**, 83 Plympton St., Waltham, Mass. U. S. Coins. W. O. White.
- 20638 **Percy B. Plumb**, 50 Trent St., Woonsocket, R. I. Comm. Coins, tokens, minor foreign. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20639 **Mrs. Alba C. Rathmell**, Box 95, Newfield, N. Y. U. S. Coins. W. O. White.
- 20640 **Cpl. Robert D. McKinney**, 7071 ASU (USAH) Medical Co., Fort Belvoir, Va. 19th & 20th Century coins. Arthur A. Carr.
- 20641 **C. G. Morris**, 1125 Reading Drive, Orlando, Fla. U. S. Coins. C. A. Brownell.
- 20642 **Robert W. Crown**, 1912 Blue Ave., Zanesville, Ohio. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20643 **Alan D. Craig**, 2743 Hillegass Ave., Berkeley 5, Calif. General. Edward Fogler, Elrich Werling.
- 20644 **Harry L. Sautter**, 608 5th St., Bismarck, N. D. U. S. Coins. Dr. L. H. Fredricks.
- 20645 **Gustav C. Kunkel**, 288 Knowlton Ave., Kenmore 23, N. Y. U. S. Coins. H. W. Hoople, Howard Meyers. A. M. Johnson.
- 20646 **Robert B. Crothers**, 200 Grove Blvd., Frederick, Md. General Commemoratives. Albert Scott.
- 20647 **Robert A. Cavanagh**, P. O. Box 241, Dunellen, N. J. General. Ralph H. Ullrich.
- 20648 **Herbert J. Hansen**, 8331 Paxton Ave., Chicago 17, Ill. U. S. Coins. Frank Younger.
- 20649 **Charles M. Spicknall**, 2046 Kearney St., Denver, Colo. General. Dan Brown.
- 20650 **Richard Wachowiak**, 10750 Ave. L., Chicago 17, Ill. U. S. and Foreign Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20651 **Victor McIntyre**, 2950 Ohio, South Gate, Calif. General. Mell G. Hoffman.
- 20652 **Bill Willoughby**, Broad Run, Va. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20653 **Carl R. Willis**, 489 Midland Drive, Mansfield, Ohio. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20654 **Harry M. Koss**, 376 E. 92nd St., Brooklyn 12, N. Y. General. Aaron R. Feldman.
- 20655 **Caldwell Baker**, 97 Western Drive, Longmeadow, Mass. U. S. Large Cents. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20656 **Carl W. Splitt**, 1310 Knight Road, Ann Arbor, Mich. U. S. Coins. Joe Kinney.
- 20657 **Dural King**, Route 1, Arcade, N. Y. U. S. Coins. Joel Tillberg.
- 20658 **Roland Deutsch**, 10 Alden St., Newton Center, Mass. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20659 **Donald E. Wittstock**, 2471 S. Roosevelt Drive, Wichita 10, Kansas. General. B. Helen Barnes, I. E. Runkpf.
- 20660 **Robert W. Schuetz**, 616 E. Elgin Place, Broken Arrow, Okla. General. Mrs. P. C. McGilliard.
- 20661 **Conrad P. Hoover**, 1549 17th St., Corpus Christi, Texas. U. S. Coins. G. B. Diamond, J. Marvin Dowling, H. J. Scribrinski.
- 20662 **Chester H. Trusky**, 211 S. E. Court St., Apt. No. 21, Pendleton, Ore. U. S. Coins. Donald Zearing, Bert Wagner.
- 20663 **William M. Bowersock**, 209 Homestead Road, LaGrange, Ill. General. Harold R. Klein.
- 20664 **William R. Campbell**, 11 Monument St., Wenham, Mass. U. S. General. Mrs. June Pond, Col. Joseph Moss.
- 20665 **Arthur W. Shaw**, 4902 Camden Ave., Pennsauken 8, N. J. U. S. Coins. David M. Bullowa.
- 20666 **Mrs. H. G. Moore**, 1980 Long, Beaumont, Texas. U. S. Coins. R. M. Newton.
- 20667 **D. B. Pearce**, 547 Union Trust Bldg., Pittsburgh 19, Pa. General. A. F. Smith.
- 20668 **Charles C. Loughlin**, Englewood, Rocky Mount, N. C. Commemoratives-proofs. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20669 **George E. Himmeger**, 3514 Belaire Place, Normandy 20, Mo. U. S. Coins. Otto F. Leffler.
- 20670 **Mrs. Loren Cox**, 316 Delaware Ave., Bend, Ore. General Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.

- 20671 **Read Woodworth**, 155 Kensington Ave., Buffalo 14, N. Y. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20672 **Eugene L. Greth**, Route 1, Fleetwood, Pa., U. S. General. Cyrus G. Rhode.
- 20673 **Thomas J. Wass III**, 647 E. 14th, New York 9, N. Y. U. S. Coins. Charles Wormser, Burton H. Saxton.
- 20674 **F. Fritz Billig**, 168-39 Highland Ave., Jamaica 32, N. Y. Gold Coins. Julius Windner, David M. Bullowa.
- 20675 **Sherwin Hirschhorn**, 25 Ocean Blvd., Atlantic Beach, N. Y. U. S. Coins. Max Hirschhorn.
- 20676 **L. M. Rowe**, Box 1107, Albuquerque, N. Mex. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20677 **Mark S. Sonser**, 16805 Marquis Ave., Cleveland 11, Ohio. U. S. General. Leon T. Lindheim.
- 20678 **Arthur H. Baier**, Route 2, Booth Road, Mentor, Ohio. U. S. and Canada-Br. NA and Gold. Philip Cohen.
- 20679 **David Akin**, 60 Voe Place, Monterey, Calif. General. Zander Klawans.
- 20680 **Murray E. Goold**, P. O. Box 106, Winter Haven, Fla. General. Cephas Atkinson.
- 20681 **Howard L. Gardner**, 814 N. 3rd St., Montevideo, Minn. U. S. Coins. Arnold Thorson.
- 20682 **James Hart Morrow**, Care Hitts Spur Station, Webb, Miss. U. S. General. E. V. Cotoe, Jr.
- 20683 **Howell L. Westbrook**, 321 W. 20th St., Little Rock, Ark. U. S. Coins. Dr. Randolph Smith.
- 20684 **Gordon H. Stevens**, 69 Great Hill Road, East Hartford 8, Conn. Canadian. J. D. Ferguson.
- 20685 **Nicholas O. Theodoredis**, 702 2nd Ave., Bethlehem, Pa. U. S. General. Dominic Jordon.
- 20686 **G. E. Shawver**, 1511 8th Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa. General. O. E. Zirat.
- 20687 **Raul Gurdian**, P. O. Box 629, San Jose, Costa Rica. Coins and Medals Costa Rica and Central America. Stuart Mosher.
- 20688 **Robert E. Holl**, 1031 Wheeler Ave., Bronx 72, N. Y. General. Oscar G. Schilke.
- 20689 **Robert F. Holl**, 29 May St., Blackstone, Mass. General. Oscar G. Schilke.
- 20690 **Julius L. Swerdloff**, 161 Monroe St., Pomona, Calif. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20691 **Phil DeMaria**, 15 N. Elliott Place, Brooklyn 1, N. Y. U. S. and Foreign Coins. Arthur L. Ames.
- 20692 **Harry Box Edgington**, 4302 N. Haven Ave., Toledo 12, Ohio. U. S. Coins. Harry Rodecker.
- 20693 **Edward E. Brennan, Jr.**, 215 Brown St. S.E., Grand Rapids 7, Mich. Roman-European. Dr. F. Stevens Epps.
- 20694 **Garnet O. Newton**, Route 5, Chambersburg, Pa. Quarters. Col. Joseph Moss, George W. Olinger.
- 20695 **W. M. McCulley, Jr.**, 521 Brookline Blvd., Havertown, Pa. U. S. General. George Magle.
- 20696 **William R. Gerardin**, 2911 N. 49th St., Milwaukee 10, Wis. U. S. Coins. Hubert L. Polzer.
- 20697 **Delwin F. DeMun**, 7 Park Place, Addison, N. Y. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20698 **Walter Reese**, 68 Malaga Cove Plaza, Palos Verdes Estates, Calif. U. S. Coins. W. H. Buttram.
- 20699 **Irene J. Bannister**, 237 Nedro Ave., Philadelphia 20, Pa. General. Alfred E. Bannister, David M. Bullowa.
- 2700 **Joseph Gottlieb**, c/o Tucson Coin and Stamp Shop, 243 E. Congress St., Tucson, Ariz. General. Oscar Fulton.
- 20701 **E. J. Domicone**, 2709 E. Stratford Drive, Tucson, Ariz. General. Oscar Fulton.
- 20702 **Frank C. Homquist**, 8047 S. May St., Chicago 20, Ill. General. Charles Musil.
- 20703 **George M. Klepper**, 2501 Sterick Bldg., Memphis, Tenn. General. Stuart Mosher, L. G. Bainard.
- 2704 **Dennis Spellmire**, Box 223, Westfir, Ore. General. Richard Nesheim, George Klein.
- 20705 **Thomas Ralph McAfee, Jr.**, 850 S. Harrison St., Arlington 4, Va. U. S. Coins. Eldridge Jones, E. Ward Russell.
- 20706 **Gene R. Schreiber**, 401 E. Kemp, Watertown, S. Dak. U. S. Currency. Arnold Thorson.
- 20707 **Keith H. Smith**, 534 Eastern Ave., Ashland, Ohio. U. S. General. Leo M. Thomas.
- 20708 **A. R. Jaqua**, 6020 Swiss Ave., Dallas, Texas. General. William O. Philpott, Jr.
- 20709 **G. M. Morris**, 47 Kommetje Road, Fish Hoek, Cape Province, South Africa. Cape Town medals. Stuart Mosher, J. Verner Scaife, Jr.
- 20710 **Harold E. Pierce**, 43 Maple Ave., North Haven, Conn. General. Fred Rexford.
- 20711 **Dr. Samuel Teich**, 1090 New York Ave., Huntington Station, N. Y. U. S. Coins. Clifton Gardner.
- 20712 **Lawrence Castrovinci**, 28 Bridge St., Montgomery, N. Y. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20713 **Dean M. Brown**, 6248 31 Ave. NE., Seattle 5, Wash. General. Donald Zearing, Bert Wagner, I. G. Wineland.
- 20714 **Louis Paris**, P. O. Box 661, 1500 Stanton St., York, Pa. U. S. Coins. M. R. Zartment, Robert Sheffer.
- 20715 **Robert S. Holland**, 659 Braddock Ave., East Pittsburgh, Pa. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20716 **Eduardo Porra Caballin**, Obrapia No. 56, P. O. Box 165, Habana, Cuba. General Ralph Goldstone.
- 20717 **Dr. W. H. Gorton**, 764 Rock Creek Church Road, N.W., Washington 10, D. C. U. S. General. Charles Kohen.
- 20718 **Edward S. H. Au**, 1911 Keeaumoku St., Honolulu, Hawaii. General. Harry Osborne.
- 20719 **Pedro M. Concepcion**, Paseo 216, Vedado, Habana, Cuba. Foreign Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.

- 20720 **William T. Stewart**, 1805 Oakland Pkwy, Lima, Ohio. U. S. Coins. E. Gail Hutchinson, Cleo M. Rav, Elmer B. Ray.
- 20721 **Philip Spier**, 257 Craig St. West, Montreal, Quebec, Canada. General. J. D. Ferguson.
- 20722 **Charles W. Carpenter**, Box 216, Columbia, Calif. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20723 **Peter A. Willmann**, 29 Follen St., Cambridge 38, Mass. Modern foreign coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20724 **Mrs. Elmer F. Eaton**, 21 Liberty St., Aberdeen, Md. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20725 **Rudolf M. Hirsch**, 190-38A 69th Ave., Fresh Meadows 65, N. Y. U. S. Coins and Commemoratives. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20726 **Charles F. Scott**, 402 E. Mansur Ave., Guthrie, Okla. Portrait coins. P. K. Anderson, Helen Canale.
- 20727 **Rose Elizabeth Casey**, 1115 Franklin St., Williamsport, Pa. General. Oren D. Eggly.
- 20728 **Mrs. Arthur B. Kelley**, 4314 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo. Associate Membership.
- 20729 **Lynn Saunders**, 1512 Kappel Drive, St. Louis 21, Mo. General. Arthur B. Kelley.
- 20730 **Mrs. Gladys Kruczynski**, 3221a California Ave., St. Louis 18, Mo. U. S. and Foreign Coins. Arthur B. Kelley.
- 20731 **Donald H. Free**, 5317 Englewood, Normandy 21, Mo. General. Arthur B. Kelley.
- 20732 **Robert W. Powell, Jr.**, P. O. Box 527, Scott Air Force Base, Belleville, Ind. General. Arthur B. Kelley.
- 20733 **Wilburn L. Davidson**, P. O. Box 84, Kennett, Mo. General. Arthur B. Kelley.
- 20734 **Thomas O. Patterson**, 7033 Westmoreland Ave., University City 5, Mo. General. Arthur B. Kelley.
- 20735 **Walter Glinski**, 2810 W. Poplar St., Philadelphia 30, Pa. General. Joseph Moss.
- 20736 **Charles Redlick**, 2101 Mission St., San Francisco 10, Calif. U. S. Coins. Earl A. Parker.
- 20737 **J. B. Harris**, P. O. Box 941, Durham, N. C. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20738 **Lowell H. DeMoss**, 538 S. State St., Big Rapids, Mich. U. S. General. Charles L. Ruby.
- 20739 **Harold N. Hofer**, Box 114, Roscoe, S. D. U. S. Coins. Arnold Thorson.
- 20740 **Leigh B. DeLap**, 1110 Minnesota Ave., Kansas City 2, Kans. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20741 **John C. Pickard**, Box 3684, Greenville, Del. U. S. General. H. Edwin Weaver.
- 20742 **Edwin Case**, 55 Broad St., Flemington, N. J. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20743 **Ross R. Dake**, Moran, Wyoming. U. S. Coins. W. C. Lawrence.
- 20744 **Henry Kenway Luke**, P. O. Box 1295, Honolulu 7, Hawaii. General. Abner Kreisberg, A. Kosoff.
- 20745 **Herbert A. Brown**, 310 N. Mariposa, Los Angeles 5, Calif. U. S., Foreign gold. Abner Kreisberg, A. Kosoff.
- 20746 **Ernest D. Raimondo**, 26-24 18th St., Long Island City 2, N. Y. Comm. half dollars, Barber halves and quarters. Asher Kleinman.
- 20747 **Louis Dammu**, 452 Palmetto Road, Bridgeport, Conn. U. S. Coins. Charles Bona, Benjamin Levin.
- 20748 **Charles H. Wilson**, 5 Academy Hill, Watertown, Conn. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20749 **Rudolph Terry**, 303 S. Dearborn, Indianapolis 1, Ind. U. S. Coins. Leo G. Terry, Russell Terry.
- 20750 **Gordon H. Derby**, Route 1, Box 112, Indianapolis 44, Ind. U. S. Coins. Leo G. Terry.
- 20751 **Robert H. Estrada**, 611 E. Gorgas Lane, Philadelphia 19, Pa. U. S. Coins. W. W. Rust.
- 20752 **George S. Frost**, 451 Bell St., Palo Alto, Calif. General. Alvin L. Wait.
- 20753 **John W. Lewis**, P. O. Box 456, Morgan City, La. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20754 **John B. Thompson**, 203 E. Altern St., Monrovia, Calif. U. S., Canadian and Mexican. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20755 **Dan McDonald**, P. O. Box 463, Bowling Green, Ky. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20756 **Earl Martin**, 1710 N.W. 38, Oklahoma City 6, Okla. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20757 **J. R. Gunnell**, 11 Sunset Court, St. Louis 21, Mo. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20758 **William Henry**, P. O. Box 456, Mountainview, Alaska. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20759 **Richard W. Scott**, Thompson Road N. Rt. 4, East Syracuse, N. Y. U. S. and Canadian Coins and Paper Money. Ted R. Hammer.
- 20760 **Rex D. Knight**, 2557 Hilyard St., Eugene, Ore. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20761 **Irving H. Zuckerman**, 2467 E. 22nd St., Brooklyn, N. Y. U. S. General. Samuel Zuckerman.
- 20762 **Herman Segal**, 2424 Pine St., Philadelphia 3, Pa. Gold Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20763 **A. B. Coon**, 919 Iowa Ave., Colton, Calif. U. S. Coins. Byron Burke, Jr., O. L. Arnold.
- 20764 **Gerald Wierzalowski**, 1319 S. Komensky Ave., Chicago 23, Ill. U. S. Coins. Frank Valtman.
- 20765 **Robert O. Blanchard**, 832 Park St., Lincoln Park, Mich. Mint sets from 1909. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20766 **G. M. Skinner**, 1934 Bloor St. W., Toronto, Ontario Canada. Crowns. Peter S. Favro.
- 20767 **Victor C. Banks**, Seco, Ky. U. S. Coins and Currency. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 20768 **Burney L. Fishback Sr.**, Perry, Mo. U. S. Coins. Alexander F. Norris.
- 20769 **James A. Little**, 5317 Oak Springs Ave., Dallas 19, Texas. U. S. and Foreign general. H. S. Ulan.

- 20770 **Brookline Coin Club**, 824 Brookline Blvd., Pittsburgh 26, Pa.
 20771 **Norman G. Kapko**, 1350 State St., Harrisburg, Pa. U. S. Coins. M. R. Zartman. Samuel A. Levin.
 20772 **George J. Lahoud**, 5794 Bellevue Ave., La Jolla, Calif. Indian head pennies. Lewis M. Reagan.
 20773 **Robert C. Scott**, 100 E. Las Olas Blvd., Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. U. S. Copper and Silver. R. H. Gore, Jr.
 20774 **Frank F. Taylor**, 207 Oil & Gas Bldg., Fort Worth 2, Texas. U. S. Coins. B. Max Mehl.
 20775 **Marvin Hirschhorn**, 921 Melrose Ave., Melrose Park, Pa. U. S. Coins. Sherwin Hirschhorn, Max Hirschhorn.
 20776 **Raymond Edward Zunt**, 4143 Woodbridge Ave., Cleveland 9, Ohio. General. J. E. Zunt.
 20777 **Mrs. Carolyn Apache**, 14804 S. Butler, Compton, Calif. General. Stanley Kolosky.

Reinstatements

- 12059 **William A. Connell**, 3011 W. Cambridge, Seattle 6, Wash.
 18083 **James E. Cope**, 218 Border St., Orange, Texas.
 18053 **Paul W. Gerhardt**, 4316 Ridgeview Ave., Cincinnati 5, Ohio.
 4524 **Bruno Klaus**, 160 E. 86th St., New York 28, N. Y.
 13233 **Donald Krump**, 311 Delaware Ave., Lansdale, Pa.
 15255 **Ernest H. Lang, Jr.**, 1141 S. Magnolia Ave., El Cajon, Calif.
 5102 **M. L. Love**, 1517 Ave. H, Galveston, Texas.
 14244 **John W. Macaulay**, Box 115, Bonita, Calif.
 11577 **Patrick J. McMahon, Jr.**, 6415 Linden, Houston 17, Texas.
 4512 **Dr. C. F. Miller**, 3801 Herwol Ave, Waco, Texas.
 13264 **Edgar Patterson**, R. R. 2, Chambersburg, Pa.
 12455 **B. C. Sayers, Jr.**, 1000 E. Unaka Ave., Johnson City, Tenn.
 12183 **Mark D. Camps**, 104 Charles St., Havelock, N. C.
 5170 **Arthur H. Townsend**, North Memphis Savings Bank, Box 651, Memphis, Tenn.

Admitted to Life Membership

- LM251 **Lucius S. Ruder**, 1102 Palmview Ave., Belleair, Clearwater, Fla.

Resignations

- 10375 **Robert W. Atwood**, Dorchester, Mass.
 16318 **Charles J. Bates**, Washington, D. C.
 17928 **E. Munroe Bates**, South Yarmouth, Mass.
 17185 **Dewey E. Boone, Jr.**, Raleigh, N. C.
 10868 **Michael O'Chiren**, New York, N. Y.
 18490 **Edwin F. Coble**, Winston-Salem, N. C.
 5307 **H. A. Crosby**, Oakland, Calif.
 16873 **Alexander Dole**, Los Angeles, Calif.
 15710 **Alexandrino R. de Passos**, Algarve, Portugal
 18308 **Charles T. Grounds**, Las Animas, Colo.
 16393 **Elmer G. Holm**, Dekalb, Ill.
 19086 **Kezar Falls Coin Club**, Kezar Falls, Maine
 13347 **Anthony V. Laske**, New Haven, Conn.
 18016 **George A. Malley**, Grand Rapids, Mich.
 17720 **Mona Aymer Macfarlane**, Westmount PQ, Canada.
 15345 **Walter S. Marsland, Jr.**, Spring City, Pa.
 19069 **Mrs. Emily M. Moorefield**, Long Beach, Calif.
 18628 **Ronald Tiedemann**, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 15587 **Ernest F. Smith**, Detroit, Mich.
 15582 **John D. Stevenson**, Lancaster, Pa.
 15082 **W. M. Stout**, Philadelphia, Pa.
 16983 **Frederick Schall**, Springfield Gardens, N. Y.
 20558 **L. Kenneth Swartz**, Harrisburg, Pa.
 11548 **Louis W. Tarnopol**, Houston, Tex.
 15381 **Mrs. K. Uyeno**, Washington, D. C.
 18943 **Mrs. Vivian Voreacos**, Whiting, Ind.
 18610 **Nelson L. Wadsworth**, Lebanon, Ohio
 12746 **Russell S. Wagner**, LaVale, Md.
 15688 **Walter F. Webber**, Hasbrouck, N. J.
 19340 **Leo Joseph Werner**, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 6896 **George W. Williams**, Baltimore, Md.
 11176 **Samuel S. Wilson**, San Diego, Calif.
 18412 **Ralph A. Worley**, Shreveport, La.
 15816 **Dr. A. L. Young**, Hutchinson, Kans.

Deceased

- 16769 **William H. Cannard**, Attleboro, Mass.
 7497 **F. A. Collins**, Logansport, Ind.
 1552 **Dr. Edward Plummer**, Baltimore, Md.
 1763 **A. R. Rittenhouse**, Santa Cruz, Calif.

PRICE FOR 1952 MINT SETS IS \$6.14

Beginning in January 1953 and continuing through March 31, 1953, uncirculated 1952 coins available from the Treasury may be purchased in sets only containing two (2) of each of the coins, other than commemorative and proof coins, struck at each of the mints.

Total face value	\$5.46
Postage, parcel post	.08
Insurance	.10
Assembling and handling fee	.50
Total	\$6.14

Uncirculated coins are furnished only in sets with **Limit of one set** to each person. Application for sets of 1952 uncirculated coins should be addressed to the Treasurer of the United States, Cash Division, Washington 25, D. C., accompanied by a remittance drawn to the order of the Treasurer of the United States.

CHANGES IN ORGANIZATIONAL DIRECTORY

- Akron Coin Club** — B. C. Robinson, Secy., 1735 Hampton Rd., Akron 5, Ohio.
- Baltimore Coin Club** — Meets fourth Thursday of each month in Club Rooms of First Christian Church, 3411 Copley Road, Baltimore, Md. Jerry B. Cohen, Secy., 5703 Chilham Road, Baltimore, Md.
- Canton Coin Club** — J. E. Guest, Secy., 1234 16th St. NW., Canton 3, Ohio.
- Chicago Coin Club** — Theo. H. Rich, Secy., 6604 S. Maplewood Ave., Chicago 29, Ill.
- East Bay Coin Club, Oakland, Calif.** — Ossie J. Balbini, Sr., Secy., 1219 Park St., Alameda, Calif.
- Harrisburg Coin Club** — James N. Wagner, Secy., 1007 Bridge St., New Cumberland, Pennsylvania.
- Hartford Numismatic Society** — Meets third Wednesday of each month at Connecticut Historical Society, 1 Elizabeth St., Hartford, Conn. C. H. Hawley, Secy., 211 Sisson Ave., Hartford 5, Conn.
- Huntington Coin Club** — Mrs. K. M. Smith, Secy., 214 Fourth St., Huntington, W. Va.
- Missouri Numismatic Society** — Meets second Monday of each month at Hotel Kingsway, 108 N. Kingshighway, St. Louis, Mo. W. G. Arnold, Secy., 410 S. Virginia Ave., Belleville, Ill.
- North Dakota Coin Club** — Meets last Tuesday of each month. Mrs. Hugh Mangskau, Secy., 902 Crescent Lane, Bismarck, N. D.
- Oregon Numismatic Society** — James J. Padden, Secy., Rt. 6, Box 550, Vancouver, Wash.
- Pikes Peak Coin Club** — C. Robert Taylor, Secy., 1517 N. Foote, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- San Diego Numismatic Society** — Francis S. Jones, Secy., 120 Upas St., San Diego 3, Calif.
- San Jose Coin Club** — Syl C. Tully, Jr., Secy., 454 Porter Ave., San Jose, Calif.
- Toledo Coin Club** — Meets second Friday of each month in Toledo Room of Commodore Perry Hotel. Mrs. Gertrude McGeein, Secy., 322 South St., Toledo 9, Ohio.
- Trenton Coin Club** — Walter Caines, Secy., 7 Eisenhower Ave., Trenton, N. J.
- Uncas Numismatic Association, Norwich, Conn.** — Miss Rose Ford, Secy., 197 Cook Ave., Meriden, Conn.
- Wichita Coin Club** — Meets third Tuesday of each month at Wichita Public Library. Howard G. Spore, Secy., 1912 S. Market, Wichita 11, Kans.
- Worcester County Numismatic Society** — Meets second Friday of each month at Worcester Historical Society, 39 Salisbury St. John J. Kitteridge, Secy., 72 Morningside Road, Worcester, Mass.

Reports of Club Meetings

ARKANSAS NUMISMATIC SOCIETY —

The regular quarterly meeting was held November 2, at Hot Springs, Arkansas with Dick Buhlis host to the 31 members and guests attending.

Officers installed for the coming year are as follows: President, Matt Rothert; 2nd vice president, Harlan Blaine; secretary, Dr. Randolph T. Smith; treasurer, Ed Leaming. Richard McGillie was elected to the board of governors.

Each of the guests introduced made short talks on their particular interests in numismatics.

Exhibits:

Dr. Fred Krock: Biblical coins.

P. F. Brumm: Joachimthalers dated 1525.

L. N. Goza: Quarters and half dollars.

Mrs. Earnest P. Reagan: Lincoln cents.

— RANDOLPH Y. SMITH, M.D.
Secretary

ARKANSAS VALLEY COIN CLUB —

The 48th meeting was held December 9, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Boraker, Rocky Ford, Colorado, with President Herman Boraker presiding over an attendance of 15 members and guests. Two new members were admitted to the club, Leonard J. Bennett, a junior member from Pueblo, Colo., and D. H. Jenkins of Lamar, Colo.

A. C. Overton of Pueblo, Colo. was elected president for 1953, Herman L. Boraker Vice President and Eugene C. Trechter Secretary-treasurer, both of Rocky Ford.

Following the general business meeting a discussion was held on how to improve future club programs and bring forth more exhibits. Discussion was also held concerning the purchasing of books for the club's library.

The following exhibits were shown:

Leo White — Austrian I Kreuzer of 1816.

A. C. Overton — 2 so-called "Bryan dollars," a name given to a series of satirical pieces issued in 1896 and 1900 during the first and second "free silver" campaigns of William J. Bryan.

Herman Boraker — foreign coins from 20 different countries including a three-kreuzer piece dated 1549 and issued in Austria when that country was under the Holy Roman Empire. Another interesting coin was a five-choon piece from Korea.

A spirited auction sale of used coin boards, which were donated to the club by A. C. Overton, concluded the meeting.

— HERMAN L. BORAKER,
ANA Representative

BALTIMORE COIN CLUB — Meeting held December 4, with J. P. Smyth presiding and 24 attending.

Messrs. Heiserman, Jennings and Paul were placed on the Banquet Committee.

Mr. Heiserman read an article on the new English coins to be introduced in 1953. He also read an article about Mrs. Ivy Baker Priest who is to be the next Treasurer of the United States.

Plummer Wiley gave a talk on Greek paper money and exhibited an album of such notes.

— EARL H. PAUL,
Secretary

BAY CITIES COIN CLUB — The 100th meeting held December 10, with an attendance of 20. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Max Wedertz; vice president, Thelma Case; secretary, Roscoe Fulks; treasurer, John Dudas; board of governors, Older, Wildbeck and Wedertz.

— C. G. KIMERLY,
Secretary

BIRMINGHAM COIN CLUB — The 94th regular meeting was held Dec. 16th at White Dairy Auditorium in the form of a Christmas party. There were ten members and nine guests present. This is the annual social meeting when members and their families get together without the usual discussions of coins and club business. The spirit of fun prevailed with a very lively exchange of novelty gifts for adults and practical gifts for the children, followed with refreshments. Everyone enjoyed the party and left with the feeling that closer family relations with the members tend to create more interest in the club.

— W. D. SAXON,
Secretary

BOSTON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY — Our 829th meeting was held on November 17th at the Sheraton Plaza with Pres. deLellis presiding.

An intensely interesting and scholarly talk on Papal Coinage was given by Mr. Clapp. He carried us through the history and development of the Coinage of the Popes from its beginning in the Ninth Century when coins were issued in conjunction with the Holy Roman Emperor, to its present Twentieth Century status, when the coinage of this tiny domain at Vatican City is struck at the Roman Mint of the Italian Government. Profusely illustrated with Papal coins from his collection, these were enlarged upon the screen by use of the Balopticon. The latter was an entertain feature and ably handled by Mr. Porcaro. Members attending supplemented the talk and entertained the audience too, by showing many of their coins.

Mr. Foster reported on the City Club as a possible change in meeting place.

Mr. Guild presented four coin cases with all sorts of coins of the World to be given any Boy Scout Councils we wished.

Circulating Library — Mr. Pollard is anxious to get this project going amongst members. Most everyone has a few coin books they should be willing to loan, and he will appreciate titles of such books, and your conditions of loaning. (Will out of State members please note?)

Mr. Schuhmacher has delivered a copy of our 90th Anniversary Medal to all BNS members in good standing. Delivery was made either in person or by mail. Notice of non-receipt should be made immediately to Henry at 11 So. Fairview St., Roslindale 31, Mass.

Since our last meeting, the following

members have been active on speaking engagements: On November 24th Col. Joseph Moss and Mrs. Pond spoke at the 90th Anniversary of the New Haven Numismatic Society - Col. Moss was the featured speaker. On November 25th, Mr. Clapp addressed the Arlington Historical Society, assisted by Messrs. deLellis, Pollard and Porcaro. On December 8th, Mr. Pollard spoke before the Army Reserve Units at the Army Base on his experiences in Korea.

EXHIBITS: Mr. Clapp - Large collection of Papal Coins. Mr. Gould - Large group of Washington Coins, with various types of portraits. Mr. Lowenstam - $\frac{1}{2}$ franc of Napoleon. Mrs. Pond - Papal medals and coins. Mr. Porcaro - Japanese Government Educational Series in silver gilt. Mr. Tuttle - Iceland commemorative set of oldest parliamentary government in the World, 930-1930; Cat Cay Islands set; ticals of Siam 1825-1880; Irish set; Persian coins; 5 perpera of Montenegro. Nicholas I, 1909; Papal set. Mrs. Tuttle - Lincoln, McKinley and Theodore Roosevelt Presidential medals, and a United Nations medal. Miss Thornton (guest) - French medal of Eisenhower, 1942. Mr. Tronson - 6 Papal coins in silver - scudos, testones and guilios.

- JUNE T. POND,
Secretary

BOSTON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY - No trimmed tree nor lighted candles were necessary to produce the sparkle that pervaded our Christmas Party at the Sheraton Plaza on December 15th. The committee for it, headed by that master of entertainment, Earl V. Tuttle, with able assistance from Jim Clapp, Chandler Foster, Tony Porcaro and June Pond, planned the surprises and prizes, the music for dancing, the wassail bowl, etc., etc., that put every member and guest present in a happy holiday mood.

Attractive door prizes were thoughtfully donated by our members Chester Durning, Melvin Came, Jim Clapp, Andrew Scott, Harold Whiteneck and friend, Bert Barstow. And our new member, Mrs. Lincoln, kindly gave for raffling a large supply of home-made jellies, with Mrs. Clapp going home with gifts galore after winning the latter and other prizes.

But firstly, at this our 830th meeting, the following was handled:

Elected to membership: Mrs. Grace D. Lincoln, Everett, Mass.; Miss Dorothy Mannering, Wellesley, Mass., and John H. Miller, M.D., Laconia, N. H.

And the Nominating Committee presented the following slate for 1953: President - Mrs. Shepard Pond; Vice-President - Benjamin G. Lowenstam; Secretary - Anthony Porcaro, who declined, and Lewis W. Pollard was nominated from the floor; Treasurer - Malcolm O. E. Chell-Frost. Councilors for 2 years - Earl V. Tuttle and Miss Laura J. LeVesque. Trustee for 3 years - Maurice M. Gould, and Curator for 3 years - Bruce V. Davis. There being no further nominations from the floor, nominations were closed.

The Rev. Edward W. W. Lewis of Norwich, Conn. was a guest at this meeting. A well-known numismatist, Mr. Lewis had the pleasure of selling part of his fine collection, including many gold coins, to members and guests for the benefit of Elon College.

- JUNE T. POND,
Secretary

BRONX COIN CLUB - The 232nd regular monthly meeting was held December 17th at the Concourse Plaza Hotel. Twenty-five members and 4 guests were present when President Louis Engel called the meeting to order at 8:30 p.m.

The Secretary announced the publication by the Chelsea Publishing Company of a reprint of Crosby's Half Cents with a presale price of \$9.50. A 30 minute recess was called to view the exhibits that were placed and explained by the following:

Dr. Beldegreen: 34 coins of England from $\frac{1}{4}$ penny to shilling from Charles II to William IV.

Saul Bellus: 500 - 250 prutahs and new 10 prutah in aluminum with scalloped edge from Israel.

Bradford Babbitt: Coinage of General Morelos, Mexican leader 1811 to 1814, two 8 R in silver, one 8 R in copper and 2 - 1 and $\frac{1}{2}$ R in silver.

Linde Bernstein: 1842 U.S. half dollar large date and spade guinea of George III.

William Clark: 51 coins of 10 rulers of England from 1660 to 1837 and 40 Maundy coins of same period.

Louis Engel: English coins of William I, Edward I and Henry IV.

Edward English: Nova Scotia token 1724 and pattern guinea of James III.

Herbert Erlanger: Medal on the victory of Breitenfold by Wolphus 1631.

Aaron Feldman: Crowns of Cromwell, Anna and George III.

Raymond Gallo: 6 varieties of 1795 large cents.

Edward Janis: Various large cents of 1795 and 1796, NC 4.

M. L. Kaplan: Two 1796 Liberty cap cents, 5 proof dollars 1836, 1858 1860. 1861 and 1868. 6 uncirculated \$5 gold before 1815 and $\frac{1}{2}$ stater gold of Carthage 400 B.C.

Martin Kortjohn: Complete date set of half cents including proofs, British copper coins from 1671 to 1837 and 13 Maundy sets of same period, Charles II to William IV.

John McMahon: 1952 proof set of the Union of South Africa.

Richard Picker: Four 1795 and 2 - 1796 large cents and 1924 quarter CSTP FORD - 2 incused.

Edward Rice: Large cents of 1795, 96, 97, 98, 1800. 01, 02, 03 and 05.

Oscar Schilke: 1797 half dollar, 1795 letter edge large cent S 75 and 3 cents encased postage stamp Arthur M. Clafin Hopkinton, R. I.

Jacques Sweyd: U.S. dollars from 1840 to 1873.

Dr. Stefanelli: Artistic Greek coins from the Hellenistic period.

Harry Severin: Ruble and 3 - $\frac{1}{2}$ rubles of Russia, Nicholas II.

Joseph Wagner: Order of St. George 4th class, George Crosses 3rd class and 4th class, Order of St. Vladimir 3rd and 4th class, Order of St. Anna 2nd and 3rd class and Order of St. Stanislas 1st class and star and 2nd class.

The following members were elected to office for 1953: President, Raymond Gallo; Vice President, Saul Bellus; Corresponding Secretary, Martin Kortjohn; Corresponding Secretary, Edward Janis; Treasurer, Stanley Seeman; Librarian and Curator, William Dewey.

- SAUL BELLUS,
Recording Secretary

BROOKLYN COIN CLUB - The 234th meeting held at the Hotel Granada, De-

cember 3 with 51 attending and Morris Klaf presiding.

The following officers were elected: President, Rev. Frank H. Hutchins; vice president, Irving Mertik; recording secretary, Samuel Melnick; corresponding secretary, Oscar Susskind; treasurer, Charles Hollander; executive board, Feldman, Mize and Voigt.

Richard Picker, Arthur L. Ames, Philip De Maria, Bernard P. Fischer, Karl Anderson, Samuel Bernstein and Melvin Paul Hennisch were elected to membership.

Exhibits:

K. Anderson: U.S. nickels 1925-1938 unc. and double-headed 1929 nickel.

H. S. Bernstein: U. S. nickels 1913-1938 unc. and 40 large cents 1836-1857.

S. Bernstein: Gold rasi of Travancore; 10th anniversary medal of N.B.C., facsimile Cal. \$50. slug.

J. Coffin: Papal medals of Pius XI.

W. Donner: Coins of Alexander the Great.

A. R. Feldman: Coins of Baroda, Dhar, Indore, Mewar, Mysore and Jodhpur.

B. P. Fischer: 1913 trial Barber dime stamped in copper and many counterfeit coins.

P. Franklin: Small assay bar of B. BAXTER & CO., Colorado.

C. Fuhr: Collection of Lincoln medals and 1795 dollar.

M. P. Hennisch: Large cents 1837-1843; 1802 large cent 12 K perfect obverse and reverse.

C. Hollander: 3 framed U.S. notes series 1862-1863 set in frame with the word TERMS above. Used as a sign in a store indicating that business was done on a cash basis.

Rev. F. H. Hutchins: Large cents 1836-1854.

W. O. Hutt: Paper dollar Richmond, Va. 4/19/1861 with picture of Spanish dollar; six coins of India.

W. Kiszka: Large cents 1837-1857; Nickels 1938-1949; coins of India.

H. Leder: Complete sets: Buffalo nickels, Lincoln cents and Washington quarters; Large notes and foreign crowns.

V. Melnechuck: Israel: 500 Prutah; Belgium: 50 francs Leo III; USSR: 1 ruble; Jordan: 100 fils; Chile: 1 Peso.

S. J. Melnick: Ratisbon taler 1754; Bavaria Madonna taler 1627 over 26; Saxony Vicariat taler 1711 and Dresden taler 1766.

I. Mertik: Coins of: Ahmदनagar-Farrukhabad, Bahawalpur, Baroda, Bengal, Bhardpur, Bikanir, Cutch, Datia, Gwalior, Hyderabad, Indore, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Junagadh, Madras, Mysore, Najibabad, Pudukota, Partabgarh, Ratlam, Satara, Shahjahanabad, Srinagar, Surat, Nepal, Tonk, Travancore and Udaipur.

V. Nicoletti: Pakistan set 1948.

R. Picker: 1936 Proof nickel; 1802/1 dollar; 1793 S 11c C11 c large cent; Kentucky cents with plain and lettered edges.

A. Pollock: Panama Pacific Bronze medal; Louisiana Purchase medal; counterfeit Shekel and foreign coins.

P. Rosenbaum: Complete Whitman folders of Canadian large cents, small cents, nickels and silver 5 cent coins; U. S. half dimes 1829-1876; U.S. 2 and 3 cent nickels and 1/4 cents.

M. M. Salton: British proof sets.

M. M. Schwartz: Scotch communion tokens issued by Established Churches, Reformed Presbyterian and United Presbyterian Churches.

R. Shab: Ancient Greek coins.

O. L. Susskind: Counterstamped British Colonial tokens; coins of India states.

E. Voigt: Bronze medals: 1782 Holland receives John Adams as Envoy; 1781 Libertas Americana; 1759 French and Indian Wars.

— IRVING MERTIK,
Acting Secretary

CHICAGO COIN CLUB — The 407th meeting was held December 10, 1952, at the LaSalle Hotel, President Harry X Boosel presiding. There were sixty members and four guests present.

Exhibits, presented by Mr. Giello, were as follows:

Mr. Smedley: 1885 Newfoundland \$2.00 Gold.

Mr. Rosholm: Various scarce Norwegian pieces.

Mr. Hewitt: Louis Philippe 5 Francs, odd in shape and showing two impressions on both obverse and reverse. Also other Paris mint gold and silver pieces.

Mr. Hoppe: Coins of Danzig, Estonia and Denmark.

Mr. Johnson: Gold Aureus of Caesar-Augustus and several U.S. coins of various scarcer dates and denominations.

Mr. Ripstra: Rare piece of U.S. Postage Currency and Civil War tokens.

Mr. Giello: Washington Medallion and 1928 Philatelic Issue 2c Stamp with "In God We Trust."

Dr. Serbin: Interesting assortment of Pillar Dollars and 1, 2 and 4 real pieces of Spain, Mexico, Peru and Costa Rica.

Mr. Jonas: Souvenir Jubilee Penny of National WCTU.

Mr. Smedley reported excellent progress in arrangements for the Central States Numismatic Society Convention to be held in Chicago May 1, 2 and 3.

This being the annual meeting an election was held and the following officers and directors were chosen for the year 1953: President: Clyde L. Grimm, First Vice President: Elston G. Bradfield, Second Vice President: Halloween Martin Kurtzborn, Secretary-Treasurer: Theodore H. Rich, Director: Harry X Boosel, Director: Theodore F. Pokorney, Director: William B. Higginbotham.

These officers and directors will be installed at the January 1953 meeting.

— E. L. SALISBURY,
Secretary

CINCINNATI NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION — Regular monthly meeting held at the Hotel Metropole, December 12, with Mr. Lewis presiding and 17 attending.

Leonard J. Tosky, Jr., was elected to membership.

Ralph C. Lewis traded the numismatic talk with Fred Potts, who was unable to attend, and read several articles from Ted Hammer's sketches and quite a number of his own literary compositions using names and trade-marks as a basis. They were all very good and well received.

Displays:

Rogers — Pattern half dollar, 1635 Holland Ducat.

Lazar — Locket made of two silver dollars, pattern half dollar of 1825 in copper, 1802/01 silver dollar.

Harris — proof set U.S.

Kaplan — Paper money.

Kleine — Medal.

Parvin — Complete set Barber quarters.

— GEORGE D. PARVIN,
Secretary

CLEVELAND COIN CLUB — The 155th meeting was held in the Harvest Room of The Carter Hotel Wednesday November 5th with President Croshier presid-

ing and 24 members in attendance.

Richard Cordo and Nathan Gold were admitted to membership.

Cards of Thanks were received from Mrs. Dorothy Croshier and Mrs. Helen Gazzo for the flowers sent them during their recent illness.

Florence Strang, Entertainment Committee Chairman, reported all arrangements have been completed for the annual Christmas party which would be held immediately following the close of the December meeting. Each member and guest were asked to bring a gift not to exceed \$2.00 in cost and the gifts for men were to be tied with a red ribbon and those for the ladies with a white ribbon. Santa Claus (Michael Kolman, Jr.) promised to be there with his overstuffed red suit and distribute the gifts.

The President announced the appointment of Charles Ricard and Michael Kolman as Co-Chairmen of the Bourse Committee for the 1954 A.N.A. Convention. Mr. Kolman declined the appointment stating that he was making every effort and expected to get the Convention Auction and all of his time would be devoted to the sale. In view of this Mr. Kolman was excused and Matt Gazzo was appointed to take his place.

The Ballot Committee announced it was ready to hold the Election of Officers. Voting was by secret ballot resulting in the following Officers being selected for 1953.

President - Laura M. Caddy, Vice-President - Michael Kolman, Jr., Secretary - Matt J. Gazzo, Treasurer - Howard F. Strang.

- MATT J. GAZZO,
Secretary

COLUMBUS NUMISMATIC SOCIETY - The 250th meeting was held at the Neil House on December 8, with eighteen in attendance. The exhibits were described and generally discussed. The General Election of Officers was held, and plans were made for the Ohio Sesquicentennial year of 1953. Officers elected for the coming year: President, Charles H. Clark; Vice President, Robert E. Studer; Treasurer, Stanley Schillinger; Secretary, Frank J. Buffington; Historian, Mrs. Cora D. Henderson; Curator, Fred W. Burton.

- FRANK J. BUFFINGTON,
Secretary

EAST BAY COIN CLUB - December 12 meeting held at the usual place with S. S. Hawley presiding.

The following officers were elected: President, Gilbert D. Eaton; vice president, F. J. Montegale; recording secretary, Thelma Fieberling; corresponding secretary, Ossie J. Balbini, Sr.; treasurer, Myron Mountjoy; historian, Roy Hill; board of governors, Craig, Holm and Werling.

Retiring President Hawley expressed his thanks to the various members of the Club who had served with him during the year. He then called upon R. G. McArthur, first President of the East Bay Coin Club. The latter, in a brief but impressive installation ceremony, gave the oath of office to the new executives and Board Members of the Club. President-Elect Eaton then spoke a few words of acceptance.

The business of the evening being completed, the Christmas party became the order of the day. During a brief intermission, punch was served. Mr. Hawley then took over again, this time as song-leader for Christmas carols. Following

this, member Frank X. Galvin became our jovial Santa Claus, and officiated at the exchange of gifts.

Cake and coffee provided an appropriate ending for an evening during which "a good time was enjoyed by all" of the sixty-eight members and guests present.

- S. S. HAWLEY,
Ex-President

EVERGREEN COIN CLUB - The tenth regular meeting was called to order by President Hedmark at 8:30 p.m. Borst Park Community House, December 20, after the members and their families had indulged in a delicious pot luck dinner and placed their gifts under the Tree all in the Christmas tradition. Thirty-seven, including five months old Helen Monahan, were present.

Dennis Nyland was elected to junior membership.

The nominating committee represented by Robert W. Kennicott, presented the following ballot which was accepted: president, Ben W. Williams; vice-president, James Kendrick; Secretary-treasurer, Mr. Christian Petersen, A. O. Hedmark as past-president, automatically began a three year term as director, while George Monahan has one year to serve on the board, and Christian Petersen two. Officers elected by the junior members were: president, Jim Todd; and vice-president, Robert D. Kennicott.

Jim Todd gave a fine demonstration and talk on handling coins. He stressed treating coins (especially those belonging to others) carefully; holding a coin between the thumb and forefinger so one can see both the obverse and reverse without fingering it. Jim said that if a coin were in an envelope, the envelope should be opened by pressing on its sides and holding the fingers in a receiving position. The same method is used in passing a coin from one person to another.

Mrs. DeNise added that the best cleaner is soap and water and spoke of the harm done copper, silver, and nickel coins kept unprotected in cigar boxes. Cedar discolors. Butcher paper or heavy wax paper should line the box under velvet or other material - or better still is to use another type of box.

Exhibits:

John Heckard: Set of liberty standing halves, commemorative halves with sailing ships featured, and Canadian dime with sailing ship. (Johnny is interested in old ships!)

Art Hedmark: Wooden money from Tenino, leather script from Hepburn, Oregon, cardboard money from Willapa Harbor, wooden money shaped like an oyster with a picture of Old Ironsides from Olympia, and a commemorative honoring centennial from Forest Grove, Oregon. All were issued in the 1930's.

Haven Petersen: Six orders: Star of Isabella the Catholic (Spain), Commander second class star order of Charles III (Spain), Commander badge and star Order of Avis (Portugal), Commander badge and star Order of Christ (Portugal).

Jim Todd: A New Jersey set (five coins).

- HAVEN PETERSEN,
Secretary

HARRISBURG COIN CLUB - Meeting held December 11, with 21 attending and F. J. Bolton presiding.

W. Dean Fencil and Paul Orner were elected members.

Exhibits:

M. L. Dettinger: U. S. 5, 10 and 25 cent pieces.

Dr. M. W. Emrick: Eisenhower medals. Dr. Emrick reported on the fine exhibits at the Kline Village Celebration.

—JAMES N. WAGNER,
Secretary

THE HEART OF AMERICA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION—December meeting held at the Elks Club with 22 present and Vic Hill presiding.

It was decided to have a sign put up in the lobby of the Elks Club to attract visitors and gain new members.

It was voted to admit President-Elect Dwight D. Eisenhower as an honorary member of the association, and also to retain President Harry S. Truman as an honorary member.

Ray Janada had on display a complete collection of Morgan and Peace type silver dollars in uncirculated condition, also Maundy money of 1952 (in proof), of King George, issued after his death.

To finish the old year out, our auctioneer, George Paris, auctioned off a number of old coins, at new prices.

—HARRY BOSLEY,
Acting Secretary

INDIANAPOLIS COIN CLUB—The 146th meeting took place December 17, 1952 at the Hotel Washington. President L. Ward Hicks presided with thirty members in attendance.

A general business session included the acceptance for membership of Waldo E. Wysong.

Past-president Lee Long then presented to the club Carl Mainfort, who gave a baffling thirty-minute demonstration on sleight-of-hand tricks with cards and coins.

The attention of the membership was then directed to the following displays. Keith Canon—Ten different types of U.S. double eagles. L. Ward Hicks—Odd and Curious money including ring money excavated from Indiana mounds. A 50 real of Spanish origin dated 1617—First dated Tyrol coins of half and dollar size dated 1484 and 1486. Each exhibitor gave a brief descriptive talk relative to their respective display.

The final meeting of the year was brought to a close with the serving of refreshments and a general round of discussion and good fellowship.

—JACK HUTCHISON,
Secretary

JACKSON-MISSISSIPPI COIN CLUB—Meeting held December 9, with 16 attending. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, C. L. Weston; 1st vice president, Leo T. Ellis; 2nd vice president, David H. Smith; secretary-treasurer, James E. Mullen.

Members serving in the Armed Forces were given free paid-up memberships. A review of activities during the past year revealed that our average attendance was 16 members per meeting—much better than many larger clubs.

—JAMES E. MULLEN,
Secretary

LEHIGH VALLEY COIN CLUB—The 145th meeting held December 18, with 36 attending and H. Worman presiding.

Two new members were elected and three applications for membership received.

Officers elected for the coming year: president, Clark Bossard; vice president, Luther Beck; treasurer, Claude Eckert; secretary, Kenneth B. Lobb; assistant

secretary, Curtis Godshalk; curator, Elsworth Lewis; auctioneer, Forrest Smith; board of governors, Shepherd, Detweiler and Worman.

—KENNETH B. LOBB,
Secretary

LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB—Meeting held December 5, at Forrester's Hall. The following officers were elected: President, George Bennett; vice president, Jay Dare; secretary, V. D. Dieterle; treasurer, L. W. Nelson.

Speakers for the evening included the following who spoke briefly on the subjects indicated:

Harold McCabe: Trade Dollars with display of P, S and CC types.

Bill Koonce: Dekadrachm of Syracuse, Tetradrachms of Alexander and Lysimachus.

Stuart Bingham: Spoke for the Calif. Numismatic Association Merced Spring Meeting.

Karl Brainard: Spoke for the Annual San Diego Coin Club Banquet.

Mr. Lewis: Spoke for the San Fernando Valley Coin Club.

Mr. Abel Sampson: Spoke for the Long Beach Coin Club.

Thelma Case: Spoke for the Bay Cities Coin Club of Santa Monica.

Harold McCabe: Spoke for the Garden Grove Coin Club.

Adolph Larson: Spoke for the Orange County Coin Club.

Michael Carey whose fine book on the "Emperors of Rome" has been very well received had on display two beautiful examples of Roman Bronzes inscribed IMP:CAES:M: AUR:ANTONINUS: PIUS: AUC both of which were mounted with legend under glass. The GB of Caracalla was bearded while the MB of Elagabus was not. This fact was about the only apparent distinguishing feature according to Mr. Carey.

Any suggestions for improving the meetings should be given to the officers or the board and it is hoped that visitors passing through will assist us in making this the greatest year in the long history of the LACC. (Formerly the California Coin Club.)

—WILLIAM D. KOONCE,
Secretary and Vice-President

MARYLAND NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

—The 16th meeting was held on December 11, in the Club Rooms of the First Christian Church, 3411 Copley Rd., Baltimore, Maryland, President Morris Schollenberg, presiding. Thirty members and 8 guests were present.

Announcement was made that with the January, 1953 meeting, the Society will again revert to their regular meeting dates: The 4th Thursday of the month.

Following the short business meeting, the most successful club auction of the year was held. As this was the last meeting of the year all regular society features were dispensed with and the group was served refreshments.

—JERRY B. COHEN,
Secretary

MEMPHIS COIN CLUB—Meeting held December 15 with 15 attending.

President Durham appointed Lynn Barnard, Frank Sturm and Bob Higgins as nominating committee for our election to be held next month.

Meeting was quickly adjourned to partake of pre-Xmas refreshments.

—WM. E. GRUENBERG,
Secretary

MIAMI COIN CLUB—The monthly meeting was held December 18 at the YMCA, President Hyde presiding. Thirty-three members and guests attended.

Professor John S. Davenport, on a short visit to Miami, was a most welcome guest. He spoke briefly of his pleasures and difficulties in his current research for a planned book on European Crowns Since 1700. One of the major difficulties is, of all things, money. Any reader with a good heart, a good bank account, and not unwilling to be remembered among numismatists forever, should write the worthy professor.

There were exhibits by Kelpsh, Sghia, Steinberg, Brand and Mrs. Toracinta. Randall and Steinberg collaborated on showing the ANA slides on Confederate State Currency. Herb Brand spoke on the quarter dollar, beginning with tetradrachms and ending with the 1932 Washington quarter commemorating the 200th anniversary of Washington's birth.

The Miami Coin Club extends a most cordial invitation to all who visit the Greater Miami area this winter to attend our meetings: the third Thursday of every month in the YMCA.

—WILLIAM FOX STEINBERG,
Secretary

MILWAUKEE NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

The 219th meeting was called to order by President Neitzke with 18 members present.

Mr. Marsh and Mr. Collura were appointed to study the problem of a more suitable meeting place, and report at the next meeting.

The following were duly elected: President, E. C. Gerber; Vice President, Edward Gengler; Secretary, Truman Marsh; Treasurer, Dominic Vitrano; Sergeant at Arms, L. A. McQuin; Librarian, Hubert Polzer.

Exhibits: Mr. Carl Van Treeck, who won an award at the last National Convention in New York with his outstanding display of Bracteates, spoke on the pedigree of coins, and displayed some of his recent purchases: being a fine Christian gentleman he concluded his talk with a beautiful story of Christmas.

—L. A. MCQUIN,
Secretary

MISSOURI NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

The 151st regular meeting held at the Hotel Kings-Way, St. Louis, Mo. on December 8, was called to order by President J. J. Smith at 8:15 p.m. Forty regular members and twelve guests were in attendance.

The membership committee reported favorably on applications of four for membership and they, in turn, were accepted by the members present.

A short period was given to business of the Society. An auction of 92 lots of coins etc. followed with Member Art Kelley presiding as auctioneer.

Before adjournment it was announced that the January meeting would feature displays and talks on ancient coins of Greece and Rome by authorities on the subject.

—W. G. ARNOLD,
Secretary-Treasurer

NEW YORK NUMISMATIC CLUB

The 528th meeting was held on December 12th, at the club rooms of the Build-

ing Trades Employers Association, 2 Park Avenue, New York City.

There were 19 members and one guest, Dr. Julian Blanchard, present.

Exhibits by the members were as follows:

Arthur, W. H.: ½ Krone Note 1921, depicting St. Nicholas with his bag of toys and eager child. 25 pfennig note 1921, depicting a 25 pfennig coin of that period.

Babbitt, Bradford: Chinese soviet dollar 1934—Seechuan and Shensi province.

Bareford, H. S.: ½ Eagles 1844-1929—mostly C & D mint marks.

Blanchard, Dr. Julian: Some U.S. Silver certificates mounted with die proofs of the vignettes used thereon. Also some examples with vignettes similar to those used on postage stamps.

Brown, V. L.: South Africa—1952 proof set including ½ and 1 pound gold blank silver dollar planchet from bag of 1924P coins.

Erlanger, H.: Medal on diet at Regensburg 1613 (by Maler), siege of Brunswick 1615 (by Maler), city of Augsburg 1699, a 1711 (by Muller) and peace of Dresden 1745 (by Vestner) two show Talers of the Franconian Civele 1664 and 1673 and gulden of Ghingen 1676 with Counterstamp of the Franconian Circle, taler of Fulda 1688 (by Muller), ½ taler of Friedberg (by Oexlein).

Francis, J. R.: Six Canadian Bouquet Sou.

Futter, O. E.: 1659 Maryland shilling, 1767 French colonial, no counterstamp. 1787 Conn. muttonhead, 1786 Nova constellation.

Douglas, Mrs. Damon G.: 46 specimens of Eisenhower jewelry.

Douglas, Damon G.: Drachms of Parthia.

Kortjohn, M.: Complete set of six gold coins bearing portrait of George VI.

Kusterer, L.: \$5.00 gold—1838C-1839D. Morris, Thomas F.: Silver certificate \$2.00—series 1891 \$1.00, \$2.00 \$5.00 series 1898, \$10.00 series 1908—proof of \$5000. Four percent call certificate Confederate States of America, engraved by George Dunn & Co., Richmond, Va.

Rasmussen, A. P.: Progress proofs of Cleveland for 50 Dollar note photo essays for gold note reverse.

Schilke, Oscar G.: 24 half eagles 1839-1929 including nine brilliant proofs and two matt proofs. Ten different signatures combinations of 1899 one dollar silver certificates. Three one dollar silver certificates of 1923 serial numbers A30D, A40D and A50D.

Smulyan, Ira: Nine European coins. Stefaneli, V. Clain: Goldstater of Philip II of Macedon—Tetradrachm of Alexander the Great struck at Alexandria (Egypt) Tetradrachm of Alexander III—plated and with test-marks. Tetradrachms of Lysimachos, Seleucus I and Tetradrachm of Perseus showing the artists' signature Zollos.

The application of Howard D. Gibbs was acted on favorably and Mr. Gibbs was elected a member.

The officers elected for the year 1953 were: President, Martin F. Kortjohn; Vice President, Oscar G. Schilke; Secretary-Treasurer, Oliver Eaton Futter.

Herbert Erlanger was elected a club representative to the American Numismatic Association.

—OLIVER EATON FUTTER,
Secretary

OKLAHOMA CITY COIN CLUB

The monthly meeting was held Nov. 25, at the Biltmore Hotel at 7:30 p.m. Eight

of 1797, 1849, two types 1907, 1932.

S. L. Burnaugh: 50 crown and half crown size coins accompanied by arms, flags and portraits of rulers enclosed in a handsome frame.

—MRS. M. J. FOX,
Secretary

PHILADELPHIA COIN CLUB—The 210th meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. Dec. 16, 1952, by President Arthur Sipe. Forty-two members and guests were present, including David Richman, secretary of the New Haven Numismatic Society, who extended greetings in the name of his club.

Further announcements were made by the President of Committee Appointments. A suggestion was made that each member list on a register form his collecting interests and specialties. Thus new members, seeking advice or possible sources of Numismatic material, may be referred to an authority within our membership.

The Monograph Award for the best paper for the year 1948 was belatedly presented to Dr. E. Arthur Whitney, Elwyn, Pa., former Vice-President of the Club.

A spirited auction was conducted by auctioneers Parks, Jaquett and Kaptik, during which a large sum was donated to the Ballard-Wismer Fund, maintained by our Club to supply flowers and gifts for sick or bereaved members, and named for two deceased members thus honored by the Club.

The entertainment organized by Hance Jaquett consisted of an exchange of gaily-wrapped Christmas gifts of Numismatic interest, sight unseen, among our members. An enjoyable hour of holiday fellowship was provided in this manner.

The exhibit of Charter Member John M. Enburg was voted best of the evening. He displayed 32 proof coins in a beautiful setting of black velvet: 15 pieces of George 5th complete; George 3rd 6 shillings crown 1804; Victoria crown early head; 2 types of George 4th; 2 copper George 4th; a German mark; U.S. proof sets 1936, 1952.

Other exhibitors were: Alexander Kaptik—Unusual toothpick holder of coin glass, showing obverse and reverse of 1892 Columbian silver commemorative; Howard F. Street—1883 plated nickel, gold nuggets; Hance Jaquett—1915 Panama-Pacific exposition gold medal; Francis Contino—Book "Coins and Tokens of Canada" 1894, written in both French and English, by P. N. Breton. Arthur Sipe—1952 Swedish 5-Kroner; Daniel J. McDonald, Jr.—Queer mistake on Fugio cent, incuse obverse; obv. strike on reverse; Colonel Joseph Moss—Gold, silver and bronze medals issued at Philadelphia A.N.A. Convention.

—GEORGE MAGEE, JR.,
Secretary

ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION—The 895th meeting was called to order December 2nd at 8:00 p.m. by President Arnim B. Judd. Thirty members and visitors were present.

John J. Pittman spoke on "Numismatic terms and definitions pertaining to condition of coins." Mr. Pittman gave his usual fine talk on this subject. He explained the terms used to describe the condition coins are described by dealers today and in the early days of coin collecting. It was pointed out that coins of today are generally classified higher than they were in early days. It was also explained that a lot depended on

whether you were the buyer or seller in these cases. Foreign coins are very hard to obtain in uncirculated condition. This discourse was very interesting and those present showed keen interest. Mr. Pittman was given a rousing round of applause.

Exhibits:

George J. Bauer: Bronze coins of Egypt, including Cleopatra I, Sestertius of Otho, 304 grams; bronze of Ptolemy III.

John J. Pittman: 1821 proof dime; 1891 O Quarter unc.; 50 peso gold of Mexico 1945 unc.; 20 peso gold Mexico 1918 unc.

Norman F. Prince: Ethiopia set 1c to 50c unc.; England, William III 1/2 crown, shilling and sixpence 1696 VF; England, Anne 1/2 crown, shilling and sixpence 1707 VF.

Alphonse A. Kolb. Cast of the R.N.A. presidential medal of Norman F. Prince and the new reverse die.

C. F. Starr: Egypt, 1, 2 and 5 Millieme of 1917.

W. Elston, Jr.: English proof sets of 1950 and 1951; Crowns of William III, George III and George IV; 20 Piastres of Egypt; R.N.A. presidential medal of William A. Elston, Sr.

—HOWARD F. OSTERMAN,
Secretary

ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION—The 896th meeting was called to order December 16th at 8 p.m. by President Arnim B. Judd. Thirty-six members and visitors were present.

Edward A. Gilroy spoke on "Coins of George III of England." This was his first talk before this group. Those present were treated to a very fine talk on this subject. He went into great detail on this subject, telling of the numerous varieties of gold, silver and copper coins during the reign of this monarch. Mr. Gilroy was assisted by Floyd B. Newell showing a series of interesting slides on this subject. Mr. Gilroy was given a big hand for his efforts.

Exhibits:

George J. Bauer: Collection of French coins including patterns.

John J. Pittman: 10 English silver and gold patterns and proofs of George III; 100 silver coins of France, ex. fine and unc. 1643 to 1933; U. S. gold \$10 of 1909 unc.

Edward A. Gilroy: Gold, silver and copper coins of George III of England, including many patterns in copper, silver and bronze proof.

Alphonse A. Kolb: Plaster cast of the New Reverse design for the R.N.A. medal.

W. A. Elston, Jr.: French coins—5 Francs of Philippe I—1834; 5 Francs of Napoleon III—1867; 5 Francs of 1943; Taler of Frankfurt—1860.

—HOWARD F. OSTERMAN,
Secretary

ROCHESTER JR. NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION—The 60th meeting was held on Friday, December 19th at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences with President Craig Bradshaw presiding. There were 28 members and visitors present. Being our Christmas meeting, several prizes of numismatic value were given by Mr. Meinhardt, the organizer of the club. Two new members were voted into the club at this meeting. The program for the evening was presented by Larry Levenberg, who spoke on "Commemorative Coins."

—MICHAEL A. JUDD,
Secretary

members and two visitors were in attendance. Following the regular business meeting, slides from the Newell collection were shown depicting famous women on coins. The commentary was read by Dr. John Lhotka. In addition, two silver Visigothic Becker counterfeits were exhibited by P. K. Anderson while a number of Spanish eight reales pieces were shown by Jake Sureck.

— HELEN CANALE,
Secretary

OMAHA COIN CLUB—The 198th meeting was held at Joslyn Art Museum on Friday evening 5 December with twenty members and guests in attendance.

The program for the evening was an illustrated lecture on United States Currency from 1861 to 1923 by Glenn B. Smedley, Chairman of A.N.A. Visual Education Committee. The Omaha Coin Club had the honor and pleasure of being the first to see this series of slides since it had never been shown in public before in fact many of the slides had never been projected on a screen before.

The slides are actual photographs of five dollar United States notes made by special permission of the Secretary of Treasury and illustrate the series from 1861 to 1923. The period of issue of the large size notes or bills as they are more commonly called. The lecture brought out that there are seven principal kinds of large size paper money issued: Demand Note, Legal Tender Note, National Currency, Gold Certificate, Silver Certificate, Coin Note, and Federal Reserve Note. Most of the photos are of notes which belong to Mr. A. E. Bebee of Omaha who loaned his entire personal collection for this purpose. Mr. Bebee was also a guest at the meeting.

All members and guests present thoroughly enjoyed the program. There is a wealth of information in this series both for the serious collector of currency and those who are just interested in obtaining some general information on the large size bills of the United States.

It is the feeling of the Omaha Coin Club that the A.N.A. Visual Education Committee in producing this series of slides have added a valuable and informative set to their already commendable list.

Following the lecture member A. W. Wilson exhibited a portion of his currency collection. Many of the bills on exhibit had been seen earlier on the screen.

— KENNETH S. DORR,
Secretary

ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB—The 174th regular monthly meeting was held Wednesday evening, November 26th, at the Brea Woman's Clubhouse with President Curtis presiding over a packed house of 113 members and guests. Six new members were admitted at the meeting, thus giving the club a total paid-up membership of 191 for the year 1952, only leaving 9 new members to be recruited in order to reach the goal of 200 which President Curtis set for his term in office.

The President ordered a minute of silent reverence in memory of two club members who were suddenly taken by death in early November. The first to be taken was Rockey E. Courreges of Huntington Beach. He had only joined the club at the October meeting as an

enthusiastic new collector. His untimely death was due to a traffic accident which took place when he was returning to his home from a meeting with another coin collector. The second loss came with the sudden death of A. E. Sanden from a heart attack. He operated a coin and stamp shop at Santa Ana and was one of our most active members, having been in charge of the club auctions for many months.

Program chairman, John Haldiman, then introduced the speaker, Abe Kosoff, nationally known connoisseur of coins from the Numismatic Gallery of Los Angeles. His subject, "Coins of Antiquity" was a real treat for the big crowd of coin lovers who were on hand to hear him. The speaker described the most historic coins which circulated in the region of Asia Minor and the eastern Mediterranean, the cradle of modern civilization, from about 650 B.C. to about 170 A.D. He also told briefly the historical aspects of each of these coins, particularly those coins which are identified by biblical reference, such as the Jewish shekel, of the Maccabees, the famous Widow's Mite issued under the Roman rule of Herod, the equally famous Tribute Penny of the Roman Emperor Tiberius, the tetradrachm of Tyre which probably was among the thirty pieces of silver paid to Judas for the betrayal of Christ, and the Judaea Capta coin issued under the Roman Emperor Vespasian in 71 A.D.

The speaker brought with him for display superb specimens of these historical coins. In addition he also displayed such coins as the silver Aegina (650-550 B.C.), the "OWL" coin of Athena (550-431 B.C.), the Gold Daric of Persia (521-486 B.C.) which contributed to rebuilding the Temple in Jerusalem, the Pegasus of Corinth (550-250 B.C.), and numerous others of later dates.

From the standpoint of pure numismatics this program was certainly without a peer in the current year of events for this club as the audience indicated by its interest and attention.

Following intermission for refreshments the regular auction of member offerings of coins was held under direction of Joe Steele. The success of this auction was matched by the Junior auction held earlier in the meeting under direction of Adolph Larson, Jr. A noteworthy contribution to this auction was a large lot of "beginner coins" received from Stuart Mosher, Editor of *The Numismatist*. Our thanks to him for his interest in this feature of our program.

— HERB BERGEN,
Secretary

OREGON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY—Meeting was called to order by President Fox at the Benson Hotel at 8.00 p.m. December 8, with 17 members and Donald E. Tooley guest.

Ralph W. Isaac and Donald B. Spencer were voted on and welcomed as new members into the society.

Election of officers was held. Those being elected to serve for 1953 were the following: President, John Trout; Vice President, Lawrence Christen; Treasurer, Wm. N. Worth; Secretary, James J. Padden; Assistant Secretary, S. L. Burnaugh; Directors, Wade Patterson, Louis Salerno, Melvin Fox.

Displays:
C. J. Young, Jr., One Tael of Chinese Turkestan, Five Miscals.
Lloyd Ruff: Canadian 5c silver.
Felix Baranovich: U.S. \$10. Gold unc.

Bill Pearson read two very interesting papers about Lincoln cents and the designer, V. D. Brenner. Ernest Weidhaas gave a short talk on re-engraved dates, die varieties, and die breaks on the Indian head cents.

Bill Pearson as Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented a slate of officers which was accepted unanimously. The new officers are: Len Barcus, President; Joe Massey, Vice-president; A. D. Brixey, Secretary; Pitt Skipton, Treasurer; Ken Marsden, Librarian; and the Board of Governors to consist of Marlatt, Bellus, Mahoney and Olmstead.

President Marsden read an annual report which was well received and was voted into the records by the group.

Bill Mahoney, as has been his custom for some years, presented a hand-carved portrait medallion to the outgoing president. Bill's handiwork was much admired.

After the installation of officers by past-president Bill Pearson, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30.

Exhibits of the evening were as follows:

Saul Bellus: 5 Kroner of Sweden for the 70th birthday of Gustaf VI; and 10 Prutah of Israel in aluminum with scalloped edge.

Bill Pearson: Lincoln cent set 1909-1952 in unc. condition, also set taken from circulation.

Pitt Skipton: Lot of Indian Heads unc. and proof: 1 Lincoln cent 1938 unc.

Ernest Weidhaas: Complete set small cents, 1856 to 1952.

— L. F. BARCUS
Secretary

WESTERN RESERVE NUMISMATIC CLUB — Meeting held December 10, with 14 attending and John Gregor presiding.

Officers elected for next year were: President, John W. Gregor; Vice-president, Russel L. Poxon; Curator, Edgar G. Bell; and Secretary, Clyde J. Drawing. Dr. Y. A. Sargis was elected to membership.

Sawicki, Bell, Povejsil, Gazso, Kolman and Lukas reported on the joint meeting of the two Cleveland clubs, November 28, attended by Lewis Reagan, secretary, and C. C. Shroyer, board member, of the A.N.A. Mr. Reagan pleased with Cleveland as a 1954 site and gave much information on how to plan for an A.N.A. convention, and answered questions from the members.

Joe Lukas always brings an exhibit developing an interesting idea; last month to show the beauty of coins in unc. and proof condition; this month a group of coins in natural patina.

Exhibits:

R. L. Poxon: consecutive numbered 1¢ bills with large and small reverses.

Joe Lukas: Deeply toned or black coins.

Fred Hahlen: Type set of silver dollars 1799, 1871, 1878 S trade, 1921 Morgan 1922 Peace dollar; also a monetary Unity medal.

E. G. Bell: Mounted specimens of Chinese cash, three sets of unc. pre-Civil War currency, a book of contemporary medals and Colonial history by Betts, and Heath's Counterfeit Detector.

Jos. F. Sawicki: A Russian ruble of 96 shillings, 1757 and a U. S. silver dollar of 1796, about unc., Bol. No. 5.

Clyde Drawing: Eleven varieties of Canadian, Ships, Colonies, and Commerce tokens.

— CYLDE J. DREWING,
Secretary

WICHITA COIN CLUB — The December meeting opened in the ping-pong room of the K. G. & E. building, President Fred Cooley, presiding.

The business of the evening was the election of officers for 1953. Vice-president W. M. Betz, of El Dorado, Kans., was elected President. Floyd Hazelwood of Salina, Kans., was elected Vice-president. Secretary H. G. Spore, who took over the office as treasurer the last four months of 1952, was re-elected for another term as Secretary-Treasurer.

With an attendance of 17, meeting adjourned early and a social hour was spent with refreshments being served. Cakes baked by Mrs. W. Betz, Mrs. Wm. Miller, and Mrs. H. Spore, coffee provided by the club, were served by the above mentioned women. Art Kelley of St. Louis sent a Christmas box to the club, in care of Lewis Reagan, not to be opened until Christmas. Mr. Kelley's wishes were fulfilled, as it was opened as refreshments were being served, and the club gave Mr. Kelley a standing vote of thanks and appreciation for the 10 pound box of the finest peanut brittle one could wish for.

We are laying plans for a bigger and better New Year. We regret having to vacate our present meeting place which is being rebuilt. The K. G. & E. has been more than generous in their hospitality. Locating a new place will be work for all members until our next meeting. A full report will be in your next magazine.

— H. G. SPORE,
Secretary

WORCESTER COUNTY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY — The December meeting took the form of a Christmas party and dinner which was held at the Hotel Aurora December 12. There was a total of 41 members and guests in attendance.

During the dinner Christmas music was furnished by Mrs. Sundstrom at the piano with Mr. Bellis leading the singing.

At the close of the dinner, President Earl Bellis opened a short business meeting and thanked the various committees and their members for their excellent cooperation during his term of office. The names of two new applications were read and voted into membership.

As a final act of his term of office, the president called for a membership vote on the previously nominated officers for the new club year. With their election declared, he introduced the following: Clifford V. Howe, President; Eloise Cloues, Vice-president; Elvin W. Eagles, Treasurer; and John J. Kittredge, Secretary, as new officers of the club.

Mrs. Shepard Pond presented to Mr. Bellis a "Key to Numismatics."

Guests at the banquet, in addition to Mrs. Pond, were Mrs. Harriet Cassidy, representing the Worcester Historical Society, Mrs. Edna Czerwinka, President of The Coin Club of Rhode Island, and Andrew Scott, President of the Boston Collectors Club.

After the arrival of Santa Claus and the exchanging of gifts, dancing was led by Miss Jessie Thornton and Mrs. Mildred Sundstrom.

— ELVIN EAGLES,
Secretary

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY COIN CLUB--The December meeting held at the usual meeting place, the San Bernardino Chamber of Commerce office. There were fifteen members present.

The main business of the meeting was to plan the exhibit at the second annual hobby show to be held by the city of San Bernardino. This show drew thousands last year and we are glad to be a part of it this year.

After a nice door prize drawing the program of fractional currency was shown. This is another set of slides offered by the A.N.A. Slide committee. They are all fine sets, and this is one of the best. It gives a type set of these small bills, with particular attention to the reverses. The books and articles on fractional currency are usually hampered by the laws prohibiting the illustrating of these bills. This set was made with the authority of the secretary of the treasury, and the pictures are of such fine detail that the fine writing can easily be read. The historical information given with the set is thorough.

There were some fine exhibits displayed:

Howard Smith brought his Fractional Currency Shield.

Dr. Emmons brought a complete set of half dimes in proof and uncirculated condition, including the 1859 with reverse of 1860 in proof condition.

Fred Coops displayed a note of the Philippine National Bank.

—BRYAN BURKE, JR.
Recording Secretary

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COIN CLUB—

The ninth regular meeting was called to order at 8 p.m., December 17, by President Sam J. Kabealo.

After committee reports, a general business session and a brief talk by President Kabealo on future activities of the club, the membership's attention was directed to the following displays:

Scott McCormac: Partial set of presidential medals.

W. R. O'Donnell: Two 14th century gold pieces from Holland and Sardinia.

Bob Williams: Proof sets from 1936 through 1952.

F. P. Preston: Type set of Mexican, eight real, crown size coins depicting Charles IV, Ferdinand VII, Maximilian, Liberty Cap, Eagle, Guantemec and Hidalgo.

Wm. Fisher: One cent pieces of 1856, 1857, 1858 and 1859.

M. H. Bolender: Half dollars from 1854 through 1870.

I. N. Sanders: 1910 \$20.00 gold piece.

C. Patterson: Half dollars dated from 1806 through 1838.

Sam Kabealo: 1799 large cent and two counterfeit cents.

After a very interesting series of plastic slides were shown covering private gold a successful auction was held.

—I. NEWTON SANDERS,
Correspondence Sec'y

SEATTLE COIN CLUB—The 192nd meeting was held at the Prospect Congregational Church on November 20, with 19 members and four guests present. Vice-president Carl Olander presided.

After the nominating committee had presented its final list of nominees for office for 1953, Mr. Olander talked briefly on the Pilgrim commemorative half-dollar. He traced the history of the Pilgrims from the time of Elizabeth I to

the reign of Charles I, when they left England, going first to Holland and then, on the Mayflower, to America. Although originally heading for Virginia, they were deflected from their course to the shores of Massachusetts, where they elected to remain and where, despite hardships and misfortunes, they were successful in paying off within twelve years the cost of the patent to their hard-won colony.

Exhibits for the evening featured coins before 1620. The meeting closed with an auction.

Exhibits:

Stephen Bibler: 1902 A.N.A. token; early volumes of *The Numismatist* (1888-90, 1902).

Lola Cliffe: Sixpence of Elizabeth I.

A. Craig Dermond: Fractional currency.

Ben Gorlick: Silesia 3-thaler klippe; Breda 2-sols klippe 1625; Bavaria crown 1625.

Ed Flieder: U. S. proof sets, 1881, also 1937 through 1941; early commemoratives; early dollars; early half dollars; gold commemoratives; set of five dollar gold pieces.

George Graham: Complete set of Indian Head cents.

Gene DeNise: Coins of China, Mexico, Spain, Annam, France and England.

Carl Olander: Medals comparable to commemorative coins.

Ray Pelton: Canada dollars, 1935-6.

Odin Sorensen (guest): Wedding thaler, about 1607.

Irvin Wineland. Commemorative currency of Canada.

—DAVID GRAHAM,
Secretary

SEATTLE COIN CLUB—The 193rd meeting was held at the Prospect Congregational Church on December 18, 1952, with 19 members and two guests present.

It was decided that the club would return to the Frye Hotel as its regular meeting place, to be effective in January if facilities were still available there for the annual banquet.

The following 1953 officers were elected: President, Carl Olander; Vice-president, Ray Pelton; Secretary, David Graham; Treasurer, Ben Gorlick; Board Member (2-year term), Paul Fouts. These officers will be installed at the January banquet-meeting.

Exhibits for the evening featured sets of coins.

At the close of the meeting, the regular auction was preceded by a special auction of ancient coins sent to one of the members on consignment.

—DAVID GRAHAM
Secretary

WESTCHESTER COIN CLUB—The 221st meeting was called to order by President Kenneth Marsden at 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday evening, December 16, in the New Rochelle YMCA.

Mrs. Ernest Weidhaas was elected to membership. There was a general expression of hope that more of the ladies join with Mrs. Weidhaas in coming into the group.

Pitt Skipton read an interesting article from the London Times about the new British coinage. This brought about a general discussion of the problems met with by a small group such as ours in obtaining foreign sets. Mrs. Cameron has offered to investigate possibilities of obtaining some of these coins from Nassau where she will spend her winter vacation.

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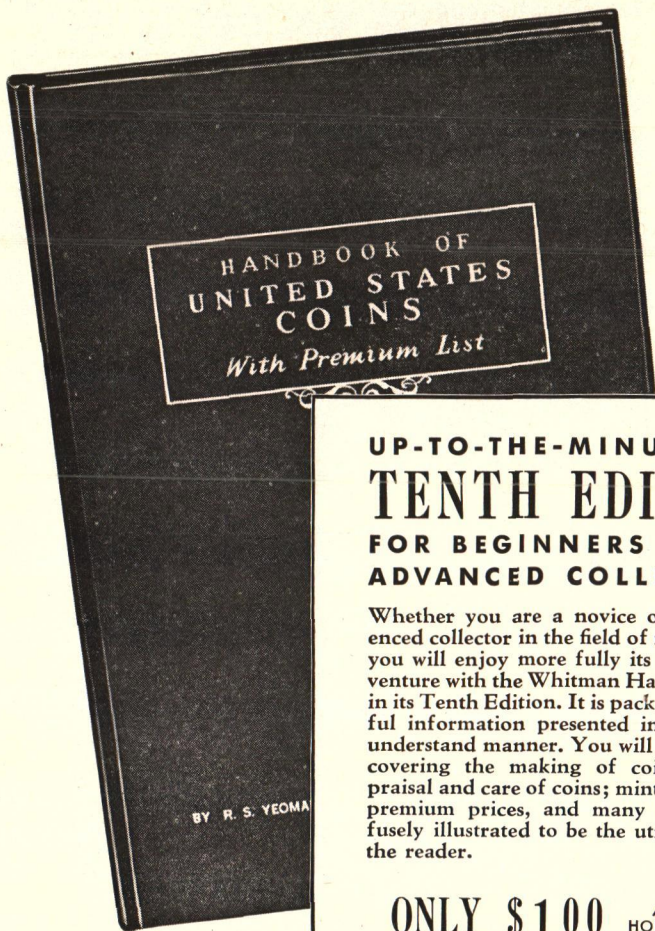
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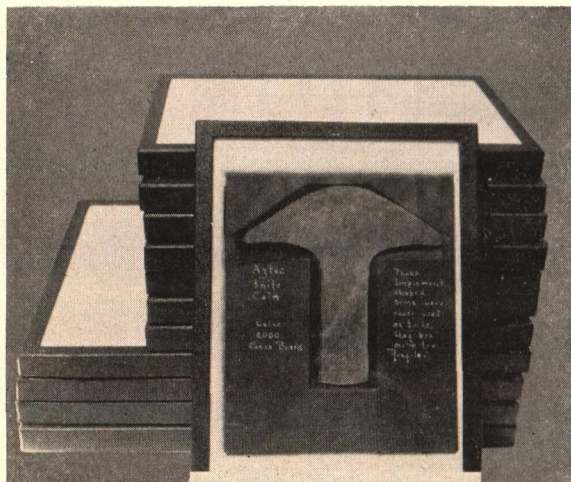
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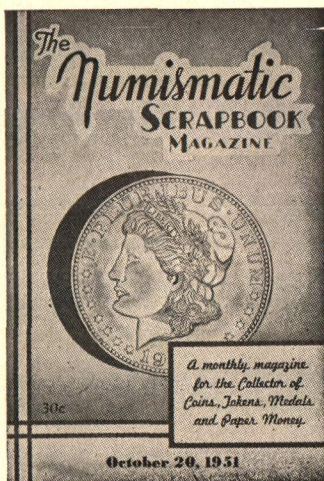
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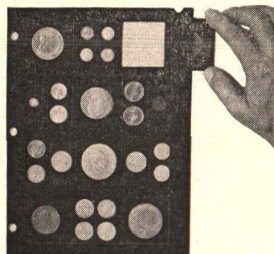
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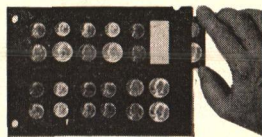
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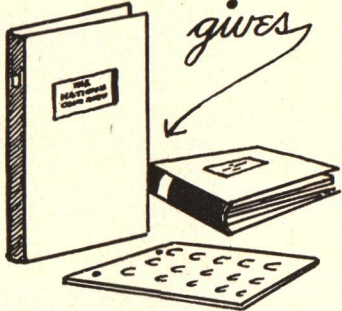
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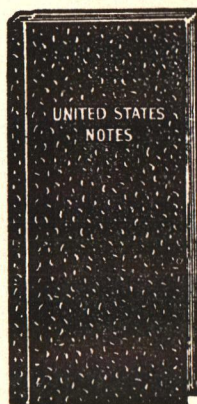
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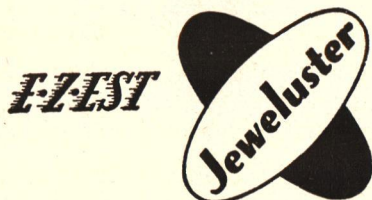
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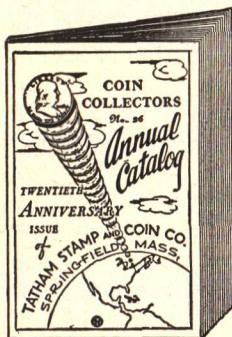
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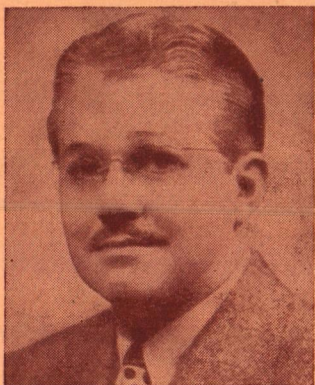
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